# The Australian Women's Register

**Entry type:** Person
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# Barrett, Edith Helen

(1872 - 1939)

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| **Born** | 29 October, 1872, Emerald Hill Victoria Australia |
| **Died** | 1 February, 1939 |
| **Occupation** | Medical practitioner |

## Summary

Edith Barrett ran a small general practice in Melbourne but devoted her energies to voluntary work concerning the health and welfare of women and children. She founded the Bush Nursing Association in 1910 with her brother James and was associated with the Red Cross from 1914-1937. She was appointed OBE – Officer of The Order of the British Empire (Civil) – 15 March 1918 for her work with the Red Cross Society. She was also appointed CBE – Commander of The Order of the British Empire (Civil) – 24 May 1918 for her work with the Red Cross Society.

## Published resources

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http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html

Archival resources

**Bush Nursing Association of Victoria**
Edith Helen Barrett - Records

**British Red Cross Society, Melbourne**
Edith Helen Barrett - Records

**National Council of Women of Australia**
Edith Helen Barrett - Records

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