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Message from the General Manager



Paul Crowe

Its been a very different couple of months to what we are use to and life has changed as we know it.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our staff, for delivering exceptional patient care, in exceptional times.

So many significant events have past and we had to acknowledge and celebrate them differently to what we are use to doing but that doesn't make them any less important. We had a special celebration and honour to our Volunteers and Consumer Network and look forward to welcoming them back into our facility in the future to continue doing the amazing work they love to do. We, with our community acknowledged ANZAC day and celebrated Easter and Ramadan Kareem. With our staff we celebrated International Nurses & Midwives Day and then acknowledging the remarkable work of our Cleaners.

As you come into our facility you will notice things are a bit different now with screening stations set up and a visitor policy procedure implemented for everyone's safety.

For the most up to date information on COVID-19, please visit the SWSLHD website:

<https://www.swslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/covid19/>

Together, we will get through this and remember to always practice good hygiene, physical distancing and stay home if you can.

I would like to end my message with some good news about recent refurbishment activities at your local hospital; the front foyer is getting a facelift together with new accessible toilets. New paint and whiterock and lighting throughout the hospital together with solar panels being installed on the roof. Our Quiet Room has also had new carpet laid and new signage is getting installed to make way finding easier and more helpful.

Stay Safe :)





Radiology Administrative Officer Maureen Crozzoli has been making "headbands for heroes". They allow frontline staff to loop their facemasks around buttons on the headbands, preventing irritation to their ears. Gerardine Fi-Les Tafunai is wearing one of her creations

Patient Care Boards at the bedside have been a focus for Transforming Your Experience at Fairfield Hospital throughout 2019/2020. They are used as a tool to facilitate patient and carer engagement with staff and with their care and have rapidly become part of everyday practice for nurses and patients alike.

Mr Vincenzo Cavallaro and his wife (pictured below) have found the board useful. They report that the patient care boards help them to know who is looking after them, particularly as they were getting to know the nursing and allied health staff. They preferred that the staff complete the board for them. "We have a laugh with the nurses, especially when we are working out our goals for the day – we like to tick them off."

Mrs Cavallaro also told us that the mobility section was helpful as her husband had progressed off his walker while he was in hospital. She told us that it helped all the family to know what he can do. Mr Cavallaro was keen to use the board to thank one particular nurse for the care and attention she had given him. He enjoyed asking her to write in the comments box "My nurse is Fantastic!!" And was keen to make sure that all staff had seen it.





International Nurses & Midwives Day 2020

In recognition of 2020 International Day of the Midwife and International Nurses Day, the Healing Hearts Campaign was initiated to recognise the contribution of the nurses and midwives of NSW in these difficult times. With COVID-19 creating different kind of challenges for frontline health workers, it is simple, yet meaningful way to acknowledge our nurses and midwives. The purple and blue heart design was chosen as a symbol for nurses and midwives who are at the heart of our health system. As a thank you, staff were treated to lunch by JB Medical which included a pizza and water followed by a muffin from the Nursing Executive team.

Below are the nurses that received recognition as part of the celebration.

Wayne Phillips was awarded the General Managers Award

- Commenced employment as a Registered Nurse in January 1992 as a New Graduate
- Current position as CNC Paediatrics
- Wayne is a real leader in paediatric clinical practice with numerous focuses being:
 - Bronchiolitis PREMS with ACI
 - Paediatric Theatres – Fasting Project – SWSLHD Quality Award Submission 2020
 - Staff Flu Vaccination Coordination and management
 - Fentanyl Intranasal Implementation in Amb Care
 - Paediatric BLS
 - Burns Noodles CANR
 - DETECT Junior
- Wayne has strong collaboration with MDT which allows a high quality clinical service for FRF Paediatric community
- Wayne is professional, approachable and friendly and demonstrates what a Health facility values in its employees.



Pippa Richards was awarded the Director of Nursing & Midwifery Award

- Commenced employment at Fairfield Hospital in April 2016 as EOL CNS2 following a career in Primary and Community Health
- Pippa demonstrates strong leadership in the EOL Palliative field and nursing in general
- Pippa delivers consistent care that is person centred involving the family, loved ones and the MDT
- Pippa is respected by all staff and patients
- Pippa is currently engaging in research focusing on EOL Bereavement Survey – looking at perceptions of families and carers
- Pippa practices the CORE values of the LHD in her collaboration with the patient and MDT; Openness with families and patients; Respect for the MDT and each patients beliefs and wishes and Empowerment of herself and others in the development of the Palliative Care specialty
Pippa is the utmost professional and an asset to the FRF nursing team



The award winners are below and attached are some more photos

Manager of the Year - Poumansing (Raj) Gujraj

Research Award – Bernadette McNally

Best Assistant in Nursing (AIN) – Milli Rodrigues

Best Assistant in Medicine (AIM) - Natalia Aidone

Best Enrolled Nurse (EN) - Allarnah Crosby

Best Registered Nurse (RN) – Cherrill Urquhart





Thank you to our wonderful cleaners

Fairfield Hospital was proud to celebrate their General Services cleaning staff and acknowledge the hard work and vital role they play as part of the Fairfield family. They provide an integral services in keeping everyone safe every day, all the time and even more so during our current COVID-19 pandemic climate.



The Hospital would also like to extend its gratitude to Grill'd Burgers and Guzman Y Gomez at Wetherill Park for sponsoring our Cleaners day with vouchers and food for our cleaning staff.



- Zarko Rstic
- Martha Duchon
- Marilyn Vargas
- Gordana Zarkovic
- Ljubica Aleksoska
- Renu Chawla
- Albert Nissan





Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Information

One visitor per patient, per day

To help us keep you safe, we've limited our visitor numbers to one per person, per day.

You can have your visitor in the morning, between 10am and 11am and in the evening, between 5pm and 7pm.

Your visitor can come during both sessions, but it has to be the same person on the one day.

Who will be your nominated visitor at the hospital?

We need to take down their details in our visitor log.

We can only let your visitor in once they have been nominated.

We're doing this to protect all our patients and staff, following the cluster of COVID-19 cases in south western Sydney.

We are asking that you don't bring children to the hospital at this time.

The hospital has WiFi (if this is the case), so you can keep in contact with loved ones on electronic devices.

We understand this can be difficult, but we need to ensure all our patients and staff are safe. Thank you for your understanding.

Note:

- Women having babies are allowed one support person at any time of the day.
- Paediatric patients can have a parent or carer with them at any time.
- Special exemptions can only be granted by the General Manager or their executive on-call after hours. This will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Staff should be receiving General Manager COVID 19 updates, if you have any questions, speak to your direct Manager





Community Participation & Engagement



Thank you to **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School, Mount Pritchard** who donated a large amount of Easter Eggs to be handed out to Ward 1C staff and patients during the Easter period.



Thank you for the corporate spirit of Fratelli Fresh, a Sydney Italian Restaurant that donating over 650 meals to front line employees of the South Western Health District. Fairfield Hospital staff were amongst those who received the free meals for all the hard work and dedication through this pandemic.



Fairfield Hospital Sydney

May 8 at 10:25 AM · 🌐

THANK YOU | Colombo Social generously donated 150 food meals to our hard working staff - what a beautiful gesture!



This photos is a display of projects or presentations that are products of work being done at Fairfield Hospital, by some of our staff.

The display was an initiative of Bernadette McNally CMC (Wound Care). Fairfield Staff will be notified of new displays across SWSLHD through a variety of mediums, such as the News from the Field, Research Matters and any suitable District newsletter/ Facebook pages.





Staff Appointments

Dr Ramanathan Lakshmanan (who is our current ICU Director) has been appointed as the Executive Clinical Director for Fairfield Hospital.

In his new role, Dr Lakshmanan will provide independent advice to the Executive team on matters relating to clinical practice and medical workforce, championing enhancements to ongoing clinical practice improvement, safety and quality programs.

Joanne Harvey has been appointed to the full time position of Cardiac Rehab Clinical Nurse Specialist 2 from 25 May 2020.

Joanne brings to the role extensive cardiac, ambulatory and inpatient nursing experience.

You can contact Joanne Monday to Friday 7AM—3.30PM on:
Phone: 9616 8344
Mobile: 0467814812
Email:
joanne.harvey@health.nsw.gov.au

Shaniya Ogul has been appointed to the permanent fulltime position of Clinical Nurse Consultant for Orthopedics in the Whitlam Joint Replacement Centre commencing 22 June 2020. Shaniya has acted in the role from November 2019 and has extensive experience in Inpatient Joint Replacement Surgery at Fairfield Hospital.

You can contact Shaniya Monday to Friday 7.30AM—4PM on:
Phone: 9616 8836
Email:
shaniya.ogul@health.nsw.gov.au

Joann Chiong has been appointed to the position of Infection Control CNC as of 11 May 2020.

Joann joins us from Bankstown Hospital bringing over 15 years of nursing experience.

Joann's contact details are:
Phone: 9616 8290
Pager: 47521
Email:
joann.chiong@health.nsw.gov.au

Ghulam (Ali) Razaee has been appointed to the position of After Hours Nurse Manager. Ali was one of Fairfield Hospitals' After Hours CNS2 who also worked at Liverpool Hospital and brings over 8 years of nursing experience.

Ali's contact details are:
Phone: 0412898112
Pager: 47772
Email:
ghulam.razaee@health.nsw.gov.au



Congratulations to Saleszni Singh, Bhupendra Baniya and Carley Sisounon for completing their GradStart Program at Fairfield Hospital. Saleszni, Bhupendra and Carley started the GradStart Program in May 2019. The last 12 months has been a learning opportunity for these nurses to build their clinical skills and to become resilient. "We hope the journey has been enriching, exciting and transforming for them". said Nalini Singh - Fairfield Hospital Nurse Educator





Farewell Cynthia and Eileen

Administrative Services have been lucky enough to have two Dental staff redeployed to us during the COVID period. Cynthia Valderrama and Eileen Nery have spent the last 3 months working in the outpatient clinics. These two clinicians were very enthusiastic and became independent admin workers very quickly.

