Support for Consumer and Community Participation Members

Training and support are provided to all participants and there is a Community Participation Manager to guide members in the role.

Why should you become a Community Participant?

Benefits to you include:

- providing a voice for the community in your local hospital
- becoming an important part of health service planning and delivery
- building cooperation between people in the local area and the hospital
- networking with like-minded people
- learning new skills with quality training and lots of support.

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Concerned about the health and future of your community?

You can make a difference by joining Fairfield Consumer & Community Participation Network where you may choose to:

- participate in the planning, development, delivery and evaluation of health services,
- promote and improve the health of the local community,
- work with hospital staff to advocate for the community so that hospital services are more responsive to their needs,
- bring local health needs and issues to the attention of Hospital staff and management.

How does Consumer and Community Participation work?

As a Consumer and Community representative you will have the opportunity to:

- be a link between the local community and the hospital,
- be involved in hospital projects and new initiatives,
- be a member of a hospital committee that interests you,
- promote local action on issues you think are important,
- talk to people in your community and find out local issues that affect their health,
- work in partnership with hospital staff to improve the quality and delivery of health services,
- help the hospital see things from a consumer's perspective.

Who should join our Consumer and Community Participation Network?

Nominations are open to all. We are looking for people who:

- are residents of south western Sydney,
- are interested in health issues,
- know the local community,
- currently use or have used health services in the past,
- would like to support their local hospital,
- are able to dedicate some time to participate.