



Dear colleagues

As Australia's largest health service, it takes considerable planning to ensure Metro North facilities achieve excellent patient outcomes and provide workplaces that support and nurture people to be their best. As part of this planning, next Friday Chief Executive Jackie Hanson and other senior executives will be onsite to hear from staff about the draft Metro North Strategic Plan 2024-2028.

The plan is critical to our current and future decision making across our five strategic focus areas: Service excellence; A great place to work; Advance equity; System of care; and Innovation and research.

I encourage you to [review the draft plan](#) and share your feedback either in-person from 1pm on Friday 31 January in the Education Centre or by completing the [short survey](#) by the end of February.

HSR nominations now open

I often talk about health and safety in my messages, and that's because it's critical to everything we do. If you'd like to play a role in making Redcliffe Hospital even safer, nominations for Health and Safety Representative (HSR) positions in all established workgroups are now open.

As highlighted in several of my messages late last year where I profiled our HSR's, they play an important role in supporting the wellbeing of our staff, patients and visitors across all areas of the campus. They assist in making workplaces safer and healthier by providing advice, identifying hazards, raising safety concerns, communicating safety information and participating in audits and initiatives.

if you'd like to nominate as an HSR, complete the online form [here](#) or email the [completed PDF](#) to Janene Farr. if you'd like more information about the role, please contact Francis McDonnell.

Nominations close on 19 February



Building community relationships

This week, I've had a few meetings with important stakeholders for the hospital. This morning, I met with Member for Redcliffe, Kerri-Anne Dooley (pictured, left). Kerri-Anne previously worked as a nurse at our hospital and since becoming the local MP following the State Election last year has taken a keen interest in our work. She understands the important role the hospital plays in the community. Today, we discussed the hospital's expansion, where I updated her on progress and how critical the redevelopment is to

meeting the healthcare needs of the ever-growing community we serve now and into the future.

Earlier in the week, I met with the President of the Redcliffe Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, Cameron Whinnett. This meeting was part of continuing to build relationships with members of our local community. As we double our workforce in the coming years, with many of our new colleagues likely to be from outside the local area, the Chamber of Commerce will be an important partner in helping to promote Redcliffe Hospital as a great place to work and the peninsula as a great place to live. They'll also have a role to play in helping those moving to the area become connected to their new community.

I look forward to continuing to grow our relationships with Kerri-Anne and the Chamber of Commerce as our hospital expansion program progresses.

Raise it for Redcliffe support opportunity

Are you missing your rugby league during the off-season? There's an exciting opportunity coming up at Kayo Stadium where you can enjoy a double-header while raising money for Redcliffe Hospital.

Raise it for Redcliffe are looking for volunteers to sell raffle tickets at the stadium on Saturday 22 February as the Broncos take on the Bulldogs and the Dolphins play the Titans in pre-season matches. Half of all the money from raffle ticket sales will be donated to Raise it For Redcliffe Hospital!

if you'd like to make a day of it with family and friends, click [here](#) to express your interest in volunteering.

Happy Lunar New Year

Finally for today, next Wednesday marks Lunar New Year, as we enter Year of the Snake. Those born in Year of the Snake are said to be sensitive, effective and adaptable. They are cool and calm under pressure but exhibit energy and passion when required. Like Western festive celebrations, there are many different ways families celebrate Lunar New Year, such as decorating homes in red to ward off evil and eating foods that symbolise good luck and fortune, including dumplings and fish. I'd like to wish everyone Happy Lunar New Year.



Kind Regards

Cang Dang
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Redcliffe Hospital

We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our facilities are built. We also pay respect and acknowledge Elders past, present and the future.

