

Message from the **Executive Director** **Redcliffe Hospital**

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Summary:

- DonateLife Week at Redcliffe Hospital
- Protected Industrial Action update
- Celebrating ieMR's first birthday
- Tier 1 of our Acute Respiratory Plan

Message feedback



Audience: All staff



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For: Information

Dear colleagues

I heard a curious statistic recently: four out of five Australians support organ and tissue donation, but only one in three are registered to be a donor. [DonateLife Week](#) starts this Sunday and it's an opportunity to change that.

Redcliffe Hospital doesn't perform transplants like at TPCH, but it is in places like our ICU where the families of patients make the life-changing decision to gift others a second chance.

During DonateLife Week, our donation specialist nurse Barb Williams will be talking to patients and staff, alongside a family member of an organ donor.



If you get the chance, please have a chat with Steve (pictured here with Barb) about why it's so important to have the conversation about organ and tissue donation with your family and loved ones.

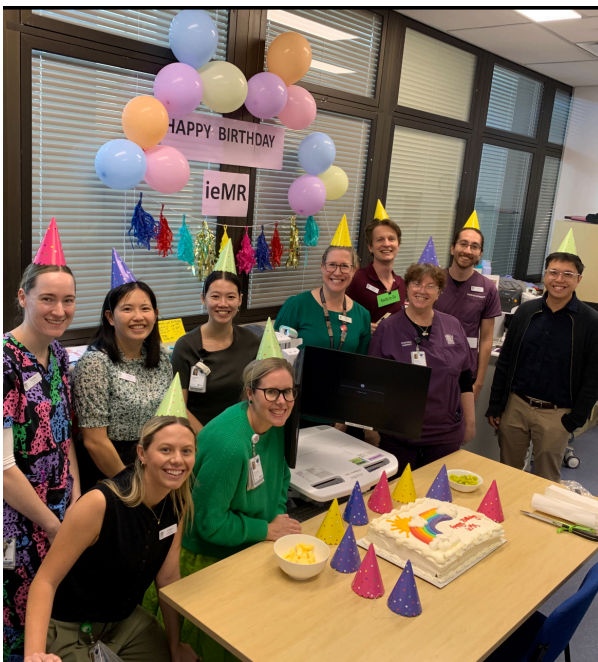
Just as importantly, when you have made your decision to give others that second chance, [register here](#).

Protected Industrial Action update

The Queensland Nurses and Midwives Union (QNMU) is currently undertaking Protected Industrial Action (PIA) in support of their enterprise negotiations (EB12) around the Nurses and Midwives Award.

As an organisation, Metro North Health respects the rights of our staff who are QNMU members to undertake PIA. Similarly, we respect the rights of employees who are not members of QNMU or who alternatively choose not to take part in PIA.

I would like to thank those volunteers who have been assisting with frontline functional support and tasks over the past fortnight.



ieMR first anniversary at Redcliffe

With all of our celebrations for the 60th Anniversary, it would be easy to overlook another important milestone. It's now been a year since Redcliffe Hospital went digital, going live with ieMR in June and July last year. The Pharmacy team (left) were among those to celebrate the anniversary.

The change from paper to digital should be remembered as a significant milestone in our hospital's history and our successful rollout of ieMR was a great example of what we can achieve when we embrace change and work together.

Acute Respiratory Illness Response

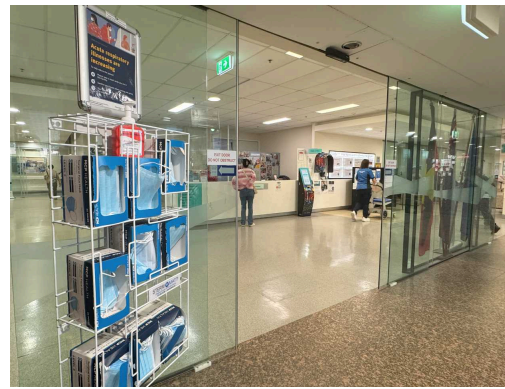
Redcliffe Hospital and Metro North Health have now moved to Tier 1 of the Acute Respiratory Illness Response Plan.

For Redcliffe, the main change is that staff are now required to wear masks when caring for suspected or confirmed acute respiratory illness cases, following PPE guidelines.

We continue to encourage staff to wear surgical masks at other times, if they choose to do so. Masks are encouraged, but not required, for visitors, and are available at all building entrances (pictured right).

As always, if you are unwell, do not come to work - and if your fit testing is overdue, please take action to update it as soon as possible.

If you have any questions about what Tier 1 means for you or your work area, talk to your NUM or line manager - or Infection Prevention.



New templates now available



A range of new document templates are now available for staff to download. Everything from [meeting agendas](#) and [PowerPoint presentations](#) to [email signature blocks](#) and templates for [reports and business documents](#) are now just a click away.

These templates have been designed to make work quicker and easier for everyone - while also helping us to comply with the Metro North [Visual Identity Guide](#) that makes sure we always look professional to our patients and community.

Research Excellence Award Finalists from Redcliffe

The finalists for this year's Metro North Research Excellence Awards have been announced and include two teams from Redcliffe Hospital.

In the *Partnering with Consumers* category, the Redcliffe Hospital team comprising Jane Geltch, Associate Professor Joel Dulhunty, Associate Professor Amanda Fox, Fiona Malcolm and Dr Jacqui Peet is one of three finalists with *Consumers in Research, Redcliffe Hospital*.

In the *Research Support Award* category, the three finalists include the *Redcliffe Intensive Care Follow-up Clinic*, with team members Dr Stuart Baker, Kylie Jacobs, Dr Alexis Tabah, Laura Smith, and Emma Proctor.

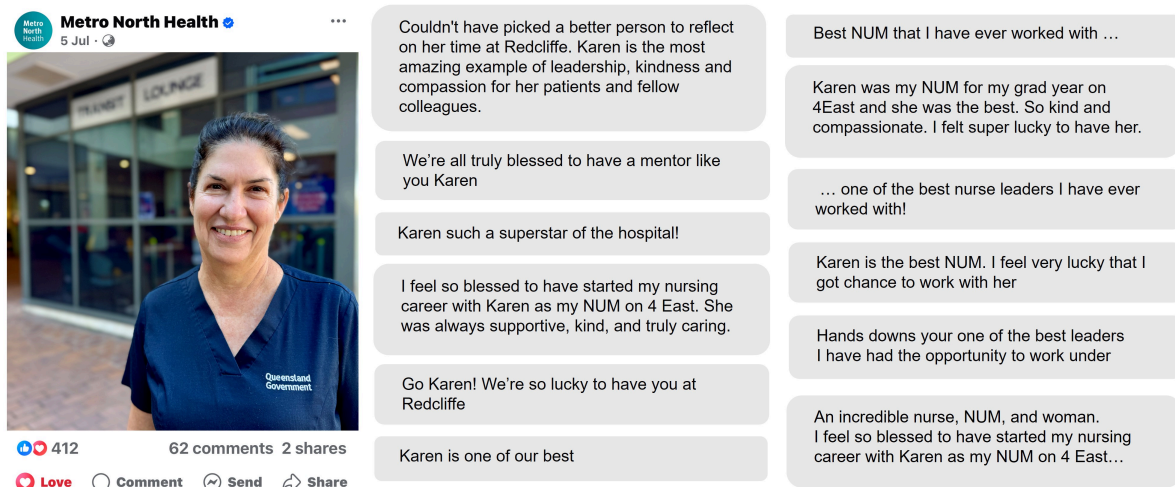
Congratulations to everyone involved, and we wish both teams the best of luck for the awards next month.

Staff and consumer feedback

Feedback comes to us in many ways - including by social media. Earlier this month, Metro

North Health ran a Facebook post featuring Transit Lounge NUM, Karen Chippindall and her reflections on the hospital's 60th Anniversary. The response from the patients and staff was a very strong one, with more than 400 people responding, and many posting comments of thanks and gratitude to Karen, and the Transit Lounge.

If you haven't seen the post, [it's available here](#), but I wanted to share some of the generous and kind comments from current and former staff.



Lastly this week, I'd like to sincerely thank everyone for their hard work and dedication to patient care over the past couple of weeks. With so much going on, it's more important than ever that we all look after ourselves and each other.

Kind Regards

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