

Metro North Health

Message from the

# Executive Director Redcliffe Hospital

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## Summary:

- Christmas season begins at Redcliffe!
- Thanking our volunteers
- Medical Awards presented
- Staff Profile featuring Will Muckan

Message feedback



**Audience:** All staff



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**For:** Information

Dear colleagues

It's safe to say that we've had a lot going on this week. We navigated ieMR downtime, worked through Tier 3, and still managed to celebrate some pretty important hospital events.

Yesterday, we had Acting Chief Executive, Nick Steele and Metro North Senior Executive Team with us, listening to staff and answering questions at a Special Staff Forum. Thank you to everyone who asked insightful questions on issues like preventing occupational violence, improving patient flow, better options for sub-acute care, and what to expect with the Redcliffe Hospital Expansion.

Thank you also to everyone who acted quickly last night to enact business continuity arrangements during ieMR downtime across Queensland. ieMR is a very stable system, but when interruptions happen, it's essential everyone knows their part in our business continuity arrangements. If you're unsure what to do during and after ieMR downtime, talk to your line manager or find out more using the 'DMN Digital Resources' icon on hospital PCs.

If that wasn't enough, the Christmas season officially arrived at Redcliffe Hospital this week. With help from Bridge FM's Big Jon and Raise it for Redcliffe, Santa visited with donated gifts for young patients and families (pictured below). Thank you to everyone who helped make this visit special for patients and their families.



## Decking the wards

After weeks of planning and preparation, Christmas displays have started going up across the hospital (pictured below). We have more than 20 entrants in this year's Christmas decoration competition, which will be judged the week before Christmas.

A reminder too that entries may be disqualified if they breach the [safety guidelines](#).



## Volunteers Christmas Lunch

We shared more Christmas spirit this week with our annual Volunteers Christmas Lunch.

More than 50 members of our hospital's volunteering community attended, together with Kerri-Anne Dooley MP, Board Member Nera Komaric, and Acting Chief Executive Nick Steele.

Nick and our Senior Leadership Team members did a great job serving up the delicious lunch (pictured right), provided by food services team.

## Redcliffe Hospital Medical Awards

As busy as we were this week, we also found time to celebrate our junior doctors and medical educators.

Congratulations once again to this year's award recipients, including:



### ***Director of Medical Services Leadership Award***

Highly commended: Dr Rosemary Rogers

Winner: Dr Jack Graham

### ***Best Clinical Teacher***

Registrar highly commended: Dr Melissa Wall

Registrar winner: Dr Crystal Seng

Consultant highly commended: Dr Matt O'Gorman

Consultant winner: Dr Alice Greenwood

### ***Most Valued Registrar***

Highly commended: Dr Saamiah Khan

Winner: Dr Alex Brown

### ***Consultant Award for Clinical Excellence***

Highly commended: Dr Ebony Layton, Dr Thomas Beirne, and Dr Phoebe Kottler

Intern winner: Dr Jolie Kun and Dr Rosemary Rogers

JHO winner: Dr Jack Graham

SHO winner: Dr Visai Muruganandah

### ***Registrar Award for Most Valued Junior Doctor***

Highly commended: Dr Rosemary Rogers and Dr Maggie Monckton

Intern winner: Dr Kristi Yearwood

JHO winner: Dr Lachlan Masek and Dr Julie Smith

SHO winner: Dr Robert Heseltine.

## **Redcliffe Hospital's new O&G Director**

After a full and open recruitment process, I'm pleased to announce that Associate Professor Thangeswaran Rudra (pictured right) has joined Redcliffe Hospital as our new Obstetrics and Gynaecology Director.

Associate Professor Rudra comes to us from the RBWH with 30 years' experience in clinical, academic, and leadership roles. We're grateful to have him joining our hospital team.

We're also grateful to Dr Mamta Vyas, who has been acting in the role for much of this year.



**Staff Profile: Will Muckan**

Will Muckan is our new Cultural Capability Officer and is a proud Kabi Kabi (Gubbi Gubbi), Nughui (Quandamooka) and Yugara (East/Coastal) man.

Before joining Redcliffe and Metro North, Will worked across major organisations including Rio Tinto and Virgin Australia, and led diverse teams, community engagement, and built strong, respectful partnerships with Traditional Owners, community leaders, and government stakeholders.

"I am committed to strengthening cultural safety, inclusion, and equity and am passionate about strengthening communities and supporting culturally responsive, respectful care," Will says.

"I'm looking forward to contributing to our shared goals and supporting meaningful care for all communities. I am keen to connect, collaborate, yarn and most importantly learn together on this journey."

Starting early next year, as our new CCO, he'll be leading the rollout of cultural capability training - which is now mandatory for all hospital staff and clinicians. Keep an eye on TMS for available training times and dates.



Lastly this week, a quick reminder about a couple of important things happening next week.

On Tuesday, everyone is invited to the [Reconciliation Action Plan Showcase](#) to find out more about the health services we provide to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Next Wednesday, join us for the [Redcliffe Hospital Wellness Fair](#) thanks to the Staff Wellness Group and REDDY Fun & Fitness.

With school holidays now upon us and many staff starting to take leave, please know your efforts this year have been appreciated, and we wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas.

Kind Regards

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Executive Director  
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A poster for the Redcliffe Hospital Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Showcase 2025. The top half features a vibrant, colorful Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art design with a central circular motif and figures. Below the art, the text reads: "REDCLIFFE HOSPITAL RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN (RAP) SHOWCASE 2025". Underneath, it says: "During this drop-in style event, there will be stalls for you to learn more about the services offered to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people." At the bottom, there is a dark red banner with white text: "When: Tuesday 9 December 2025", "Where: Redcliffe Hospital Front Entrance (Under ICU in front of Zouki Coffee Box kiosk)", and "Time: 10am - 12pm". A small fish icon is on the left of the banner.



We uphold our commitment to health equity through our Values in Action  
Respect | Integrity | Compassion | High Performance | Teamwork



Metro North Health acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the Land upon which we live, work and walk, and pay our respects to Elders both past and present.

**Metro North Health's vision**

Creating healthier futures together—where innovation and research meets compassionate care and community voices shape our services.



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