

Metro North Health

Message from the

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Summary:

- Executive update
- Feedback for Caboolture Health Centre dental team
- Staff profile - Dr Pyi Naing
- Metro North SET Staff Forum
- Deadly Feet clinic at BISHC
- CKW Pet of the Week

Message feedback



Audience: All staff



Read time: 4 min



For: Information

Dear CKW team,

On Thursday, we paused to honour the life of Aunty Maroochy Barambah on the day of her funeral, a deeply significant day of mourning for her family and community.

Aunty Maroochy was a highly respected Turrbal Elder, Traditional Owner and Song woman, carrying cultural responsibilities of profound importance. Through song, story and ceremony, she held and shared knowledge that connected people to Country, culture and one another. Her voice carried history, law and spirit, and she shared this with generosity, dignity and deep care for community. For many, hearing Aunty Maroochy sing or offer Welcome to Country was not only moving, but grounding. It was a reminder of the strength, continuity and living presence of culture.

As a mark of respect, Metro North flew flags at half-mast.

Last week, we were privileged to welcome Metro North Chief Executive Nick Steele to Caboolture Hospital. Nick met and spoke with various staff and members of the executive team to learn more about some of the challenges with ambulance offload and some of the critical opportunities we have to improve our performance for the benefit of our patients. Nick thanked the team for their candour in sharing ideas and suggestions about how we can do things better. I would like to thank Nick for taking the time to visit us, and for his expertise with some IT issues (personal joke).

Caboolture Satellite Health Centre Dental Clinic team

The team at the Caboolture Satellite Health Centre received some fantastic patient and consumer feedback recently:

"From the first welcome at reception to the completion of treatment, oral health patients speak of being met with kindness, respect and genuine compassion.



"They describe a team that takes the time to listen, to explain, and to ensure people feel safe, comfortable, and cared for. Staff across all roles were praised for creating a calm and welcoming environment, one where people felt listened to, supported and truly at ease.

"Patients spoke of care that was gentle and delivered by highly skilled clinicians who took the time to clearly explain each step of treatment. The team was repeatedly commended for their patience, courtesy, and unwavering commitment to high standards of care.

"Consumers shared how they felt treated with dignity and compassion at every stage of their journey, and how much trust and confidence the service inspired.

This feedback reminds us that excellence in healthcare is not only measured by clinical skill, but by the compassion, respect, and humanity shown to every person who walks through the door—and in this, the Caboolture Satellite Dental Clinic truly sets the standard.

March What's On

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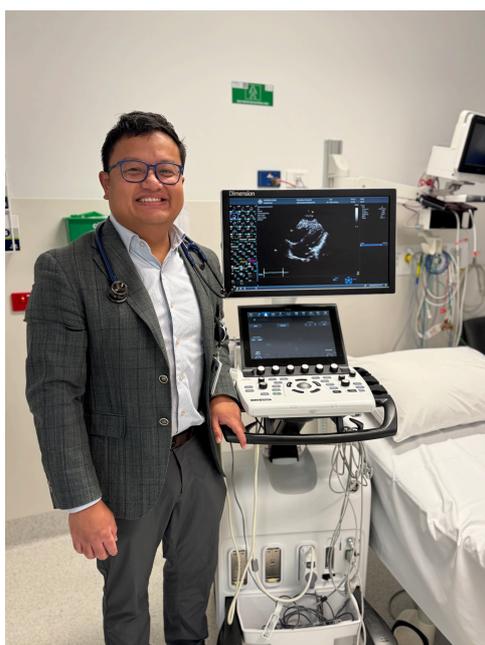
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WHAT'S ON

- ★ ENDOMETRIOSIS AWARENESS MONTH
- ★ MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY - RED BOW MONTH
- ★ MELANOMA MONTH
- ★ CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY - SUN 1 MAR
- ★ WORLD HEARING DAY - TUES 3 MAR
- ★ INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY - SUN 8 MAR
- ★ AUSTRALIAN HEALTH CARE WEEK - WED 11 MAR
- ★ WORLD KIDNEY DAY - THUR 12 MAR 26
- ★ NATIONAL CLOSING THE GAP DAY - FRI 20 MAR
- ★ HARMONY DAY - SAT 21 MAR
- ★ EARTH HOUR - SAT 28 MAR
- ★ DOCTOR'S DAY - MON 30 MAR
- ★ TRANS DAY OF VISIBILITY - TUE 31 MAR

CKW EVENTS

- STAFF BBQ - WED 4 MARCH
- MN SET STAFF FORUM - THURS 5 MARCH
- MARCH STAFF FORUM - WED 18 MARCH
- MN STAFF EXPO - TUES 17 & THURS 19



Staff profile - Dr Pyi Naing, Clinical Cardiologist

Dr Pyi Naing, a Clinical Cardiologist and Echocardiologist at Caboolture Hospital, is advancing the use of sophisticated heart imaging to better identify heart failure and pulmonary hypertension before symptoms significantly progress.

Dr Naing, who has been part of the hospital's Cardiology team for two years, provides both inpatient and outpatient cardiac care, with a strong focus on advanced echocardiography.

His research centres on heart failure, pulmonary hypertension and advanced cardiac imaging, particularly the use of echocardiography to improve early diagnosis and risk stratification.

He is especially interested in identifying imaging markers that can better predict patient outcomes, guide treatment decisions and streamline diagnostic pathways for patients presenting with complex or unexplained breathlessness.

"I was inspired by how often conditions such as heart failure and pulmonary hypertension are diagnosed late, when symptoms have already progressed," Dr Naing said.

If you have any ideas on a potential newsroom story, please send through to MetroNorth-CabKilcoy-Communications@health.qld.gov.au



Metro North SET staff forum

On Thursday 5 March, the Metro North Senior Executive Team (SET) - including Chief Executive Nick Steele will host an all staff forum from 11.30am - 12.30pm in the Caboolture Hospital Lecture Theatre.

This is a great opportunity for staff to come and talk to SET, hear updates, ask questions and provide feedback. The forum is in person only and will not be provided on Teams.



Deadly Feet clinic at Bribie Island Satellite Health Centre

Deadly Feet is a specialist outreach service supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with culturally safe care, closer to home. The team works with patients diagnosed with, or at risk of, foot complications related to diabetes and peripheral vascular disease.

Following conversations at Bribie Island Satellite Health Centre (Yarun) during a recent Yarning Circle, Nurse Navigator Emma collaborated with Senior Health Worker Ry from Deadly Feet to organise a local drop-in day for community members.

Held on 26 February at BISHC Yarun, the session welcomed around eight attendees, including both new and familiar faces. The atmosphere was warm and welcoming, with light refreshments and resources provided by the Deadly Feet team.

Importantly, the day focused on early identification and prevention. Three patients were identified as requiring further vascular investigations at Caboolture (Kabul), ensuring timely follow-up and specialist care. Attendees also received education on foot care, diabetes management, smoking cessation, nutrition and alcohol awareness — practical steps that help reduce the risk of amputation and avoidable hospitalisation.

This initiative is a wonderful example of partnership in action, strengthening access to culturally safe, preventative care within our community.



**WELCOME TO 2026
WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH**



CKW STAFF BBQ

Caboolture Hospital Main Courtyard

11AM UNTIL SAUSAGES RUN OUT



CKW Pets of the Week

This week's CKW Pets of the Week belongs to Celine Hill from the Clinical Governance Unit.

Names: Harley and Ruby

Ages: Four and one

Breed: Both are pure bred boxers

About us:

True to their name they love boxing with daddy.

Ruby, a red boxer, loves swimming - any opportunity she can get she will get in the pool. Other favourite pastimes are zoomies, waking her brother Harley up, breaking into our bedroom to

sleep on the big bed, and lying sideways, licking cane toads and making new human and puppy friends with gusto.

Harley, a brindle boxer, is a quieter soul, one of a litter of two, he is not overly keen to socialise with other dogs or humans. Harley dislikes the pool and paddles like a maniac to get out. He is fiercely protective of his mummy, daddy and little sister Ruby.

He loves sleeping, snoring, lying in unusual positions and barking at anything sketchy outside. He loves cuddles and kisses when his sister is not watching.

We need more pets! To have your pet featured, please send a photo and the above details [here](#).

Quote of the day

"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better."

Maya Angelou

Kind Regards

Dr Ted Chamberlain
Acting Executive Director,
Caboolture, Kilcoy and Woodford

Metro North Health   



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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