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Message feedback



Audience: All staff



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For: Information

Dear team,

Now that we are in April, it's time to start planning for the winter season, which usually brings increased demand for our services as respiratory and other illnesses rise. One of the best ways we can prepare is by getting vaccinated against the flu. With flu rates in the community already increasing, vaccination remains our strongest defence against serious illness. Once again this year, vaccination will be available for all staff on-site at RBWH from later this month. You can view dates and times [here](#). If you're not able to get vaccinated on-site, free vaccinations are also available for all Queenslanders at local pharmacies. I encourage you to get vaccinated to help protect your colleagues and the wider community this winter.

Sneak peak of the new Central Reprocessing Department

I am pleased to share a first look at the design of RBWH's new Central Reprocessing Department (CRD). The new CRD will replace our existing Sterile Processing Centre (SPC) and will be built on the roof of the Dr James Mayne Building, increasing the resilience and reliability of our sterilising services. The existing SPC will remain operational until the new CRD is ready, with ongoing preventative and breakdown maintenance works on the SPC continuing to ensure continuity of our sterilising services. We anticipate work on the new CRD will begin in July and take around 18 months to complete.



Artist impression of the new CRD to be built on Dr James Mayne Building.

Beyond Diversity Workshop

The Metro North Beyond Diversity workshop is happening on 15 and 16 April. This immersive two-day learning experience will equip attendees with tools to help them talk about race intentionally and effectively. Participants will then be able to use these skills to create authentic, safe spaces for compassionate conversations focused on eliminating racism. Search “Beyond Diversity” on TMS to learn more and chat to your line manager before registering to attend.



Celebrating our doctors

Monday this week marked National Doctors' Day, a time to celebrate the contributions and dedication of our medical colleagues to RBWH and to the health and wellbeing of our community. Doctors from across RBWH came together for a morning tea to celebrate the day, with a special delivery for our Emergency and Trauma Centre doctors (pictured below) to ensure those on shift didn't miss out. Thank you to all our RBWH doctors for everything you do.



Transgender Day of Visibility

Tuesday 31 March was International Transgender Day of Visibility — a day to celebrate, honour and recognise the contributions, experiences and stories of transgender, gender diverse and non-binary people. At RBWH, we're proud to have

many talented transgender and non-binary staff who enrich our workplace, some of whom came together with other members of Pride in Metro North to celebrate the day. Their contributions help us provide better, more inclusive care for all patients. For more information on creating a safe and inclusive workplace and hospital for all employees and consumers, regardless of sex, gender or sexual orientation, please visit the [Metro North Pride website](#).

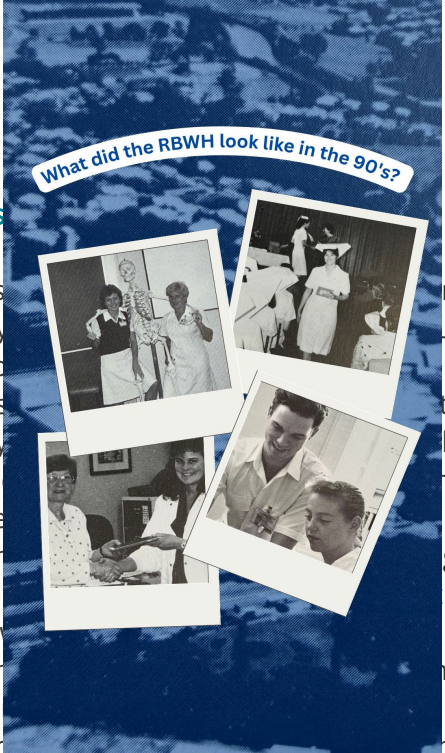
RBWH in the 90s

You may be aware of a recent social media trend where people post pictures of what they looked like in the 90s. Metro North's social media joined in last weekend by sharing photos of RBWH and our people from the 90s. This post has generated a great deal of nostalgia and reflection in the comments from current and former patients and staff, with people sharing their experiences of working here during that time and others recounting having their children at RBWH. Some have even contributed their own photos from the era. You can take a

step back in time and get involved by clicking the image to the left.

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commitment to our patients and
community. I wish you and your family a
safe Easter.

Kind Regards

Louise Oriti
Executive Director,
Royal Brisbane & Women's Hospital



Metro North Health   



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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.

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



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