

Metro North Health

Message from the

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Summary:

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Message feedback



Audience: All staff



Read time: 4 min



For: Information

Dear Team,

Community and Oral Health (COH), executive and Staff Council members visited many sites as part of COH Connect Week.

The Metro North Health Board Chair Bernard Curran also attended a number of Oral Health facilities to catch up with staff.

The initiative provided a great opportunity for staff and leaders to connect.

It was a great opportunity for staff to share what is working, what is getting in the way, and what could make a difference as our services grow and change.

We appreciate the time staff have taken to engage and provide input so that we can make COH a better workplace and that we can continue to improve as our services grow and change.

In the coming weeks and month, we will review all of the feedback that you have provided and will circle back to you in response to what we have heard.





**CELEBRATING
80 YEARS BRIGHTON
HEALTH CAMPUS**

Thursday 1 October 2026
**10:00 – 11:30am at Brighton
 Health Campus (Auditorium)**
 All current and former staff and
 volunteers are welcome

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Brighton 80th Facts - A right royal visit

When we continue to focus on the history of Brighton Health Campus from the late 1950s to the early 1980s there were two very significant royal visits.

In 1959, the Royal Princess Alexandra of Kent visited and met many of the residents of Eventide House as part of a Royal Tour of Australia.

As part of the official four-week Royal Tour in 1983, Brighton Health Campus also saw His Royal Highness Prince Charles of Edinburgh attend the campus.

This was part of a tour of Australia by the prince and his family in a period of political change and was the first visit of Prince Charles and Princess Dianna to Australia.

In the coming weeks we will continue to reveal the importance and history of Brighton Health Campus, its services and community connections as we lead into the 80th birthday celebrations.



Thursday, 1 October 2026
10.00 - 11.30 am
Brighton Health Campus
Auditorium



The construction of the new Brighton Medical Imaging facility represents a major milestone for local healthcare, but its development is also an important model for effective cultural and broader community engagement.

By prioritizing connection to Country from the groundbreaking stage, the project sets an important precedent for commercial infrastructure in the region.

Thank you to Paul Drahm for leading the cultural inclusion and engagement of Songwoman Baringa Barambah, as the traditional custodian representative of the Turrbal peoples, who hold historical and spiritual custodianship of the area encompassing the Brighton Health Campus.

Through embedding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural heritage, systems, knowledge, safety and community consultation into the design stages as the project progresses, the Brighton Medical Imaging build is intentionally designed to foster a sense of welcome, safety and trust for all.

A broader Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community consultation will occur in the near future to gather further vital input into the final design.

A Good Read - Perfect grounding for Javad

For many, the career or profession that we end up pursuing or loving can follow a very natural progression in life.

For COH's Javad Ghamaryasl working as an orthotist gave him the perfect grounding and platform to become a physiotherapist.



"I was an orthotist for 14 years and worked closely with physiotherapists for a long time," he said.

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Respect | Integrity | Compassion | High Performance | Teamwork



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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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