

Increasing Breast Cancer Screening Rates

Breast cancer is the most common cancer affecting women in NSW. More than one in eight women in NSW will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime, but almost half of women aged 50-74 are not screening their recommended two yearly mammograms. BreastScreen NSW is encouraging women to get together with a friend to book a mammogram during Breast Cancer Awareness Month, to boost screening rates and save lives.

Screening plays a pivotal role in reducing mortality rates through the early detection and treatment of cancer, and Breast Cancer Awareness Month is a time to remind everyone of the importance of early screening.

Western Sydney BreastScreen clinics can be found in the following locations:

☒North Rocks Shopping Centre, October 2019 ☒Lidcombe Shopping Centre, November 2019 ☒BCI Sunflower Clinics at MYER in Blacktown, Parramatta or Castle Hill ☒BCI Sunflower Clinic at Mount Druitt Hospital A Breast Screening pathway is available on the HealthPathways portal using the following login details:

Username:healthPassword:w3stern

Resources for GPs and online videos are also available on the BreastScreen NSW website.

BreastScreen is free for all women aged 40 years and over but is especially important for women aged 50-74 years. Appointments can be made by calling BreastScreen NSW on 13 20 50.



Events

My Health Record Training on MedicalDirector

Wednesday 16th October 2019

6:30pm - 9:00pm

Fundamentals of Immunisation

Wednesday 23rd October 2019

6:00pm - 8:30pm

National Disability Insurance Scheme GP Workshop - Assisting Patients with a Disability

Wednesday 23rd October 2019

6:30pm - 9:00pm

Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Training

Tuesday 5th November 2019

6:00pm - 9:30pm

Other News

Antenatal Pathways Now Available

HealthPathways are clinically-developed pathways for Western Sydney health professionals that provide locally relevant, up-to-date information on an extensive range of health conditions.

The Western Sydney HealthPathways team are happy to announce a range of Antenatal pathways:

Clinical Pathways-

☑Antenatal - First Consult ☑Antenatal Care - Routine Referral Pathways-

☑Urgent Antenatal Assessment ☑Non-urgent Antenatal Assessment ☑Antenatal Advice ☑Early Pregnancy Assessment ☑Antenatal Shared Care Program To access HealthPathways, visit

westernsydney.communityhealthpathways.org/ and sign in using the following login details:

Username: healthPassword: w3stern

Depot Buprenorphine: Clinical Guidelines Available

NSW Health have released a new page on depot buprenorphine for health professionals in NSW. These Guidelines provide clinical guidance and policy direction for opioid agonist treatment in NSW. They align with

national directions and recommendations and incorporate the latest international clinical evidence.

Australian Immunisation Handbook Tip: Pre-vaccination Screening

The online Australian Immunisation Handbook has a section assisting providers to screen each individual prior to vaccination. Pre-vaccination screening is vital in minimising the risk of adverse events, optimising the individual's immune response and can, in some cases, assist in protecting other household contacts against vaccine preventable diseases.

Providers are encouraged to use the pre-vaccination checklist and the table of responses for every immunisation encounter.

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