

WentWest Year in Review: Working in Our Community

4,280 practice support visits, 296 events, 61 new HealthPathways – it was quite a year for us and with the launch of this year's Year in Review, we have acknowledged the many ways in which we are working in our community, to drive change in health care across Western Sydney.

The theme of this year's Review is 'Working in Our Community', a tenet that remains at the core of everything we do as a Primary Health Network. Throughout the pages there is evidence of our commitment across Western Sydney to deliver the best health care services we can, by demonstrating the impact these services are having in the region with real life stories.

This past year almost \$30 million has been put back into the Western Sydney community via partnerships and commissioned services, some of which include; Integrated Team Care, National Psychosocial Support Measures, Prison Transition Alcohol & Other Drug Service, Western Sydney Diabetes Support Group and the Thrive@5 initiative. Since the establishment of these, we've witnessed more effective delivery of services, more timely and equitable access to services by consumers, and improved health outcomes for consumers in our region.

We held almost 300 events, the vast majority were on-going education sessions for our valued health professionals.

Overall, the Review highlights the many achievements that have been accomplished across 2018/2019 and recognises the extensive network of stakeholders and supporters, including the local community, primary care professionals and our many valued partners, who help make what we do possible.

It was a year of growth and innovation and we look forward to 2020 to continue our legacy and be leaders who drive integrated care towards better health, equity and empower our community and the health professionals who care for them.

To read the full WentWest Year in Review visit our website.



Events

Course in Ear and Hearing Health

Friday 13th December 2019

8:45am - 4:30pm

Other News

Western Sydney University Research Project

Western Sydney University are running a research project aimed at exploring primary health care professionals' knowledge, experience and training needs in relation to female genital mutilation. If you:

☑are a GP, community health and women's health nurse, or allied health worker in women's health centres, ☑work or have a clinic located in Blacktown, Fairfield, Liverpool, Parramatta or Bankstown, ☑have an experience of caring for people with female genital mutilation, ☑like to share your knowledge, experience and training needs in relation to female genital mutilation. For more information about the project please see the information sheet or contact Dr Olayide Ogunsiji

Festive Season Operating Hours Survey

The festive season is the busiest time of year for Western Sydney hospital emergency departments (EDs). The increased influx in presentations to EDs over this period can lead to extended waiting times to access care.

☑We would like to help create awareness within the local community of the availability of primary care providers during this period and to do this. We require details of the amended operating hours of general practices in Western Sydney. Please complete the online survey to help us gain a clearer understanding of the primary care services available during the festive season.

The survey will be closing Friday 13th December.

Needs Research Survey

As we work towards our vision of healthier communities, empowered individuals, sustainable health care workforces and systems; we need to create more integrated and co-ordinated health care services in Western Sydney communities. You're invited to have your say in the annual Needs Survey by completing one of two surveys:

☑Survey for GPs, practice nurses and practice managers ☑Survey for allied health providers These important surveys help guide our service planning and design – it is completely de-identified unless you choose otherwise.

All contributors will go into the draw to win one of five Fitbit Charge 3 wireless activity and sleep tracking wristbands.

GP Association Meeting

The following GP Association Meeting is coming up in Western Sydney:

Blacktown: Improving Asthma Control in Clinical Practice, Wednesday 18th December.

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