

Nursing and Midwifery Office

Achievements Q4 of 2016/2017

The Nursing and Midwifery Office (NMO) provides high level advice and leadership on nursing and midwifery professional, workforce and policy issues. The NMO leads the strategic direction of the nursing and midwifery professions through engagement across the public and private sector and the health and education providers to build quality and effective delivery of nursing and midwifery services in Western Australia with a safe, effective workforce.



Strategy

Nursing and Midwifery Strategic Direction 2015-17 and Work Plan 2015/16. System nursing and midwifery leadership is provided via the WA Health Nursing and Midwifery Advisory Council (WAHNMAC). Membership comprises all area Executive Directors of Nursing and Midwifery, a Midwifery Executive and a Mental Health Nursing Executive. WAHNMAC meet monthly with the purpose to support implementation of the strategic direction.

Workforce Excellence

Leadership

- CNMO visited Great Southern and Goldfields and consulted with regional Nursing and Midwifery leaders
- CNMO attended ANMAC Board Meeting, ANZCCNMO, ACHSM State Conference
- 150 nurses and midwives attended Nursing and Midwifery Leadership Forum with guests the Minister for Health; Mental Health and the CEO of the Australian College of Nursing

Career pathways

- Coordinated all WA Health sites to exhibit at the annual Australian College of Nursing and Health Expo (1,700 visitors)

Workforce

- 26 graduate enrolled nurses and 25 graduate midwives offered employment for remainder of 2017

International Nurses and Midwives Week

- Hosted the 2017 WA Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards. 12 nurses and midwives were announced as winners of 12 award categories
- High Tea for 39 nurses/midwives reaching the milestone of 50 years registration
- Positive media – Community newspapers, Western Nurse, HealthPoint articles and videos

Optimise Activity

- NMO participated in the SMART Sepsis Hackathon in April - using data science to drive improvement in healthcare
- 11 graduates completed Community Health (TNT) program with CAHS
- Consultation commenced supporting a proposal regarding nurse referral for x-ray
- NMO sponsored and attended the inaugural aboriginal health research forum: Our Families - Healthy and Resilient

Enhance Care Continuum

- 8 applications for Community Service Leave were supported: nurses and midwives (75%), other (12.5%), and allied health (12.5%) volunteering in 6 countries
- NMO participated in the Patient Experience Week Community Conversation
- Tanzanian Midwives Study Tour: Six former participants and champions of the GHAWA Maternal and Neonatal Care Course completed a four week study tour of WA
- Sponsorship and launch of the inaugural Compassionate Care Award at the Health Consumer's Council Excellence Awards

