

# Nursing and Midwifery Office

## Achievements Q1 of 2018/2019 July to September

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 and Work Plan. 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

- Chief Nurse and Midwifery Officer (CNMO) attended meeting of the Australian and New Zealand Council of Chief Nurse and Midwifery Officers in New Zealand.

#### Policy

- Access for Endorsed Privately Practicing Midwives into Public Maternity Services Policy signed off by DG on 19 September.

#### Scholarships

- Round two of scholarships closed on 20 July and a number have been awarded to applicants in areas of workforce priority and need.

#### Midwifery Continuity of Care Models

- Draft Economic Evaluation of Midwifery Continuity of Care Models methodology complete.

#### Workforce Data

- NMO represented at Nursing Informatics Association Conference in Sydney.
- Creation of infographics on Nurse Practitioners in WA.

#### Workforce Data (cont.)

- Nurse Practitioner Discussion papers 1, 2, and 3 submitted for review.

#### WA Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards

- Nominations have opened and close on 10 December.

### Optimise Activity

- Advanced Practice Symposium attended by over 120 health professionals from a variety of sectors.
- Credentialing and Defining Scope of Clinical Practice Forum held for nurses and midwives.
- Prescribing in Partnership NMBA Consultation Forum held in Perth.

### Enhance Care Continuum

- Global Health Alliance WA @Home nursing student volunteer cultural immersion scoping visit to the East Kimberley region completed.
- Aboriginal perinatal mental health screening tool – Baby Coming- You Ready launched.
- Evaluation of the GHAWA Maternal and Newborn Care Course commenced.