Nursing and Midwifery Office
Achievements Q3 of 2017/2018 January to March

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
- WA Health Nursing and Midwifery Leadership Alumni Masterclass held, presented by Andrea Burns.
- 2017 LGC graduates inducted into the WA Nursing and Midwifery Leadership Alumni.
- Chief Nurse and Midwifery Officer (CNMO) attended meeting of the National Nursing and Midwifery Education Advisory Network, meeting of Australian and New Zealand Council of Chief Nurse and Midwifery Officers.
- 47 new Leading Great Care participants started their year program in January 2018.

Career pathways
- 571 students supported for their studies in 2018, a combination of both undergraduate and postgraduate studies.

Graduates
- CNMO attended the end of year celebration of the State-Wide Mental Health Graduate Program and the NMHS Enrolled Nurse Mental Health Program with 33 graduates completing the program.

Policy
- Assistant in Nursing (AIN) Policy approved by Director General.

Refresher Pathway Connect
- RPC opened for applications 12 March – closed 26 March.

Fellowship and academic grants
- Fellowships and grants opened on 12 March and are due to close on 9 April.

Optimise Activity
- Two informatics masterclasses planned for April in partnership with the Health Informatics Society Australia.
- Planning commenced for an Advanced Practice masterclass later this year.

Enhance Care Continuum
- 28 nurses and midwives named as finalists in the WA Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards.