

# newsletter

# Jan – MAY 2016 Issue #1

***STAFF TRAINING***

On the 5th February, 34 BPH staff members underwent Emergency procedure training through Metrofire. Areas covered included Responding to emergencies, Emergency contact list, Duress alarm locations, and Evacuation exercises.

-Scrub Nurse Felix underwent specialized eye surgery Vitro Retinal training through the Dalcross Adventist Hospital in Sydney.

-RN Annie attended an “infection control” workshop in April in Sydney.



**NEW EQUIPMENT**

-1 Smith & Nephew electric Orthopaedics Drill

-1 new sterilizer for cameras, light leads, endoscopic equipment for our CSSD department

-1 Resight lens for microscope vitro-retinal eye procedures.

-1 Storz resectoscope sheath and obturator for urology procedures

We are also trialing new monitors for recovery and Medihotel, new infusion pumps in theatre, and new recovery beds.

As part of BPH’s commitment to supporting the Breast Cancer Foundation, Felix, our scrub nurse volunteered to wear a pink gown in the eye theatre!

## *message from ceo*

Hi everyone,

**Autumn** is here and the leaves are falling, but there’s no need for our energy levels to drop off! With Easter just past, now is a great time to make sure you are on top of your health and wellbeing heading into the cooler months.

Over the autumn, Barton Private Hospital are focussing on **physical activity** as part of our **commitment to improving staff health and wellbeing**.

The strategies in our 12 month health and wellbeing plan to focus on physical activity are:

* Start walking groups- 11 April 2016 at 5pm walk up Mount Taylor.  Monday  18 April 2016 at 5pm walk around the lake,
* Encourage use of apps to track activity (Couch to 5K; My Fitness Pal; Runkeeper)
* Team building spirit and lots of fun join the team at BPH for some Ten Pin bowling Monday the 2 May 2016

You can also check out the autumn edition of the [Healthier Work newsletter](http://campaign.oskyinteractive.com.au/t/r-B9F3897EFBB1AA452540EF23F30FEDED) for some advice and tips on health and wellbeing.

I hope you can join me for some fun outdoors and indoors activities.  Please put your name on the board under each activity so we can have numbers.  For each activity there is a prize draw, you have to be in it to win it 

*Jessy McGowan CEO*

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**Infection Control at Barton Private Hospital.**

As we are approaching the winter season, all staff are encouraged to receive the flu vaccine for 2016, for staff patients and safety. Medical and administration staff members are continuously assessed for effective hand hygiene. Lastly, the Infection Control Policy is under review, as well as the Antimicrobial Stewardship, as per the recent changes to the Antimicrobial Handbook, Version 15 2014.



All the best to Sophie and her family for the impending arrival of their little bundle of joy!

**BENCHMARKING NEWS January to March 2016**

Barton Private Hospital belongs to a benchmarking Group and we Benchmark against 20 similar hospitals in Australia.

1. Ophthalmology audit:

98% ophthalmologist satisfaction post cataract surgery.

98% patient satisfaction with surgery outcome post cataract surgery.

95% patient satisfaction with their hospital as opposed to 85% nationally.

1. Medical records audit:  The overall results for BPH were great 96% to compare to the National average of 90%.  it was identified that BPH need to improve in the following area :

* ONLY 60% of our Operation report were signed by the surgeons  and ONLY  50% of the operation report included a diagnosis – As of April 2016 ,the surgeons will be prompted by the OR staff to make sure  that the operation report is completed to standard.
* TIME OUT: The overall results for BPH for TIME OUT 97.6% were also higher than the National average of 90%.

1. Update from the MAC committee: the MAC met on the 30th March 2016, this was the second meeting- this committee is chaired by Professor David Hardman. The members are Dr Hau Pham, Dr Nicola Meares, Dr Mark Porter, and Dr Paul Whiting.  The CEO and the OR manager sit also on that committee. We still require 1 more medical doctor to sit on the MAC- if you are interested in joining our MAC please give Jessy a call.



**What great fun!!**

**Some ten pin bowling action with Olivia, Jessy, Florence and Lourdes**

**STAFF RECRUITMENT**

**We wish to extend a warm welcome to our new staff**

**Nurses: RN Dawn Roberts, RN Jane Nichols, RN Olivia Robinson, RN Will Harding, RN Joyce Thomas.**

**Doctors: Dr Arne Schimmelfelder -anaesthetist -**

**Dr Divvy Dua – Oncologist-pain management**

**Dr Felicity Brims- gynecologist-**

**Dr Jessica Tidemann- Surgical assistant**

**Dr Maindiratta Bhavna- Surgical assistant**

**Dr Peter Flynn – anesthetist-**

**Dr Bikram Sethi – periodontist**

**Dr Niral Shah- Surgical Assistant**

**Dr Pirshanth Ariatnam- Surgical assistant**

**Wardperson: Oliver Tonks, Cameron Tate, David Cowan**

**CSSD: Joel Arguta**

**New Admin staff: Zoe Heacock, Sophie Weber, Ronja Schubert, Rohan Curtotti**

**New Finance Manager: Michael Steeth**

***Compliments:***

***Patient’s experiences at BPH***

1)... Absolutely perfect treatment by all the lovely medical team.

2)... The staff were lovely and very attentive.

3)... I had a pleasant experience during my visit at Barton Private Hospital.

**TOTAL CASES TO DATE 1075**

**TOTAL MEDIHOTEL WARD 101**

**RETURN TO THEATRE 1**

**TRANSFER TO ANOTHER**

**FACILITY 1**

**REPORTED INFECTION 4**

**Figures from 01 Jan – 30 April 2016**