

TRACS WA E-BULLETIN

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MESSAGE FROM THE TRACS WA COORDINATOR

Dear Colleagues,

We have a very full edition of this month's e-bulletin with interesting reports coming from Busselton, Kalgoorlie and Metro subacute care (SAC) teams demonstrating yet again the excellent work that is taking place state wide in SAC.

After gaining a grant from the Workplace Learning Fund (WLF), Busselton Health Campus developed a 'Welcome to Rehabilitation' video with planning support from TRACS WA staff. The video is accessible for patients via the Patient Entertainment System to promote understanding of the rehabilitation program for both patients and new staff. It is also available on the [TRACS WA website home page](#).

With funding also from the TRACS WA WLF, a [three day visit to Kalgoorlie Health Campus](#) took place in April. Stroke champion and experienced clinician Jacqui Ancliffe presented training related to early mobilisation of people post stroke to allied health, nursing and medical staff (including Esperance via VC) together with talks on National Stroke Foundation guidelines and outcomes from AVERT.

The [Goal Setting project](#) originally proposed by the Speech Pathology department at Fremantle Hospital and funded by the WLF has been completed and a pilot study on V5 at Fremantle Hospital concluded under the leadership of Senior Physiotherapist Tanya Regan. Valuable resources have been developed and trialled and will soon be available under the resources section of the TRACS WA website.

The [Community of Practice](#) (CoP) held in May in partnership with Disability Health Networks concerning the interaction between Health and the NDIS was very successful; [PowerPoint and video presentations](#) are again available on the website.

As a centre for subacute care and rehabilitation training, TRACS WA is pleased to share

resources provided by local clinicians on our website. From Osborne Park Hospital we have received the [Occupational Therapy Rehabilitation Upper Limb Clinical Reasoning Guide](#). Thanks to Senior Occupational Therapist, Toni Heinemann and colleagues for allowing us to share this excellent tool with you.

The Australian Rehabilitation Nurses Association (ARNA) in partnership with TRACS WA will be [holding a study day](#) that will be open to all clinicians.

We would like to congratulate our Development Facilitator Helen McLean who was commended at the [Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards](#). A great night was had by all the TRACS WA team.

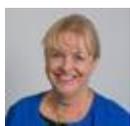
Following the departure of Dr Stephen Ford, we are delighted to [welcome Professor Osvaldo Almeida](#) (MD, PhD, FRANZCP, FFPOA) as one of our Medical Leads (Psychogeriatrics).

Finally, we are very sad to announce Sandy Dumas will be leaving TRACS WA after being with us for three and a half years. Sandy's knowledge, experience and commitment to building and delivering the SAC modules have been invaluable. We thank you Sandy and wish you all the very best. You will be missed!

Sandy in Albany ready to deliver TRACS WA Subacute Care training modules



Kind regards,



Chris King
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SUBACUTE CARE NEWS

Featured – Busselton Health Campus ‘Welcome to Rehabilitation’

Busselton Hospital patients, volunteers and staff recently had the opportunity to star in their own video production. It was all ‘lights, camera, action’ when the hospital was turned into a movie set for the day. Rehabilitation staff at the hospital received planning support and a grant from the TRACS WA Workplace Learning Fund, to produce an educational video for patients and their families coming to the hospital for rehabilitation after an accident, illness or surgery. A first in the state, the video aims to promote understanding of rehabilitation goals and the team involved in supporting patient recovery. It adds value to the written educational information currently available, and is easily accessible to all patients, their families/ carers and staff in a format that can be understood by those with differing literacy levels.

The video is accessible for patients of Busselton Hospital on the Patient Entertainment System at the bedside. It is also available on the [TRACS WA front page](#) under *TRACS Features*, or directly [via Youtube](#).

News items

- [Welcome to Professor Osvaldo Almeida](#)
- [Improving goal setting – TRACS WA Workplace Learning Fund](#)
- [NDIS – Health Community of Practice - 7 May 2018](#)
- [Kalgoorlie Health Campus – TRACS WA Workplace Learning Fund](#)
- [Congratulations Helen!](#)
- [Caring for Aboriginal people in a person centred way – short videos](#)
- [Aboriginal Person Centred Care Module](#)
- [Aphasiology Symposium of Australasia 2018](#)
- [Introduction to Neurorehabilitation course](#)



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