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WIMMERA HEALTH CARE GROUP RECOGNISES STAFF MILESTONES

Wimmera Health Care Group has recognised 53 staff members who have reached significant milestones in the organisation.

A special morning tea hosted by the Board and Executive was held today to celebrate the achievements of staff who have completed 10 years through to 35 years of service at Wimmera Health Care Group.

Chief executive Chris Scott said that each of these employees had provided a high standard of service to the organisation over an extended period. "They have contributed a combined total of 925 years of service to Wimmera Health Care Group and we sincerely thank them for their commitment, dedication and ongoing support" he said.

"At Wimmera Health Care Group, staff are our most valued asset. They all play an important role within the organisation. Whether they work in the medical, nursing, allied health, administration, environmental, kitchen, linen or engineering department, each and every person contributes to overall success of our health service" he said.

"This year we recognised three staff members who have completed an astounding 35 years of service and a further four who have been with us for 30 years. These people should be very proud of what they have achieved during their many years of service at Wimmera Health Care Group" he said.

Mr Scott said that as the major sub-regional acute referral hospital in the region, Wimmera Health Care Group was committed to achieving the best health for all the Wimmera by providing high quality services to patients. Wimmera Health Care Group employs over 750 staff across its Horsham and Dimboola campuses and is the largest employer in the Wimmera.

"We appreciate the support of our dedicated staff who enable us to fulfil the vision of Wimmera Health Care Group - **to be the leader in rural health delivering caring services with respect, reliability and integrity**" he said.

The award recipients were:

35 Years Service

Yvonne Binns
Pamela Muszkieta
Jennifer Thomson

30 Years

Gwenda Antonoff
Graham Pohlner
Graham Potter
Lesley Schubert

25 Years

Janice Aisbett
Angela Amor
Patricia Baker
Nanette Freckleton
Colleen Grant
Catherine Newell
Peter Taylor
David Tonissen
Deryl Torpey
Bruce Rentsch

20 Years

Amanda-Jane Baker
David Fogarty
Jennifer Green
Elizabeth-Anne Hayes
Elizabeth King
David Laffy
Joanne Marchesini
John Richards
Jennifer Templeton
Marguerite Ward

10 Years

Gary Bond
Peter Crammond
Christine Doran
Verity Drysdale
Jo-Anne Eldridge
Krista Fischer
Elizabeth Hale
Patricia House
Zeena Kelm
John Ladlow
Wayne Lentsment
Rosemary Materne
Brenda O'Leary

Catherine Olston
Anthony Patten
Roslyn Petering
Rosemary Pritchett
Kim Schorback
Elaine Semmler
Robin Shand
Lynda Souter
Susan Trewin
Leanne Williams
Joanne Windsor
Jan Wood



From left - Christine Doran, Joanne Marchesini, Rosemary Materne, David Fogarty, Elizabeth King, Patricia House, Jenny Thompson, Catherine Newell, Krysta Fischer, Verity Drysdale, Lynda Souter, Rosemary Pritchett, Jenny Templeton, Brenda O'Leary, Yvonne Binns, Pamela Muszkieta, Peter Taylor, Kim Schorback, Colleen Grant, Jan Aistett, Patricia Baker, Graham Pohlner and Gary Bond

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