

# Grampians Health

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## Lead Executive Officer Update

Grampians Health Edenhope campus Lead Executive Officer (LEO) Andrew Saunders has been appointed to a new external position of Executive Director of the Grampians Region Health Service Partnership (GRHSP).

Kate Pryde, Lead Executive Officer for Grampians Health Stawell campus, will assume an interim leadership role to also support the team at Edenhope.

Kate's experience with Stawell Regional Health and now as LEO for our Stawell campus puts her in strong stead to see both campuses through this next phase as the foundations are established for Grampians Health. She has been working closely with Andrew and the EDMH leadership team to ensure a smooth handover.

Andrew's new role will see him guide teams across the participating health services of GRHSP through consolidation and implementation activities related to GRHSP priority areas, ensuring the partnership has visibility across the region and within each health service.

Congratulations to both Andrew and Kate on their new roles, and we look forward to continuing to work with Andrew in his new role to continue to improve our health system.

[Read more here](#)



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## Our staff and supporters

### Years of service recognition

Grampians Health's Wimmera campus recognised theatre nurse Leanne Schwarz on 12 January for her 45 years of service to Wimmera Health Care Group.

Grampians Health Interim CEO Dale Fraser and Lead Executive Officer, Wimmera Health Care Group Catherine Morley joined Leanne to recognise and thank her for her service, alongside her colleagues.



*Leanne Schwarz (centre) with Dale Fraser and Catherine Morley*

### Wimmera Life Governors

Grampians Health's Wimmera campus recognised four outstanding members of the community in November, presenting them with Wimmera Health Care Group's highest honour of Life Governor.

Congratulations and thank you to retiring Wimmera Hospice Auxiliary president **Lea Crammond**, WHCG Foundation chair **Graeme Hardman**, Friends of the Foundation stalwart **Allison Roberts** and Ladies Auxiliary president and Friends of the Foundation member **Denise Queale**, who have all been named WHCG Life Governors. All four have provided countless years of extreme devotion and charity work toward WHCG.

### Ballarat staff awards

Late last year Grampians Health's Ballarat campus recognised the contributions of staff through a series of end of year awards. Making up for a delay due to COVID, online celebrations were held to honour the Staff Service Awards 2020, BHS Together Awards, Celebrating Our People Awards and Staff Service Awards 2021.

Congratulations to all staff who celebrated milestone years of service, or were nominated for or received an award. Find out more about the awards and watch recordings at [bhs.org.au/together](https://bhs.org.au/together)

### Welcome Dr Lordwin Jinga

Grampians Health's Edenhope campus has welcomed Dr Lordwin Jinga who is providing medical support to the hospital and has commenced work at the Rural Doctors Medical Clinic in Edenhope.

His service will include support for residents in aged care as well as patients in both acute and urgent care.

We welcome Dr Jinga and his family to the Edenhope community, after relocating to the area from Adelaide at the start of the year.

A big thank you to Nurse Practitioner Gail Leverett, who has assisted the hospital with resident's scripts and medication charts amongst other tasks, in the interim period until Dr Jinga's arrival.



*Dr Lordwin Jinga, now providing medical support for the Edenhope community*

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## Follow us on Facebook!

Grampians Health now has its own Facebook page, to keep you up to date on Grampians Health news.

This page will primarily focus on keeping the community informed on the implementation of Grampians Health. Our campuses of [Edenhope and District Memorial Hospital](#), [Stawell Regional Health](#), [Wimmera Health Care Group](#) and [Ballarat Health Services](#) will continue to operate their own Facebook pages. These pages provide key information for local communities including COVID and vaccination related updates.

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