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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL WA HEALTH



DR SHIRLEY BOWEN
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Director General WA Health

On behalf of WA Health, welcome to the 2025 Western Australian Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards (WANMEA) Gala Ball.

It is an honour to attend this prestigious event. The WANMEA provide an important opportunity to publicly acknowledge and celebrate the inspirational achievements of nurses and midwives who have made an outstanding contribution to their professions in Western Australia. The individuals

represented tonight across the 14 categories, including the Nurse or Midwife of the Year and Lifetime Achievement honorary award recipient, are among the finest nurses and midwives in our State.

The WANMEA showcases nurses and midwives from all sectors of health including public, private and non-government sectors. The awards acknowledge a standard of excellence which exceeds what is expected. Finalists have

been recognised and nominated by their colleagues or patients as exemplary in their field and for the lasting impact they have on their professions, organisations and the health of Western Australians.

I congratulate all this year's nominees, finalists and category winners and look forward to sharing in their successes tonight.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY OFFICER



DR ROBINA REDKNAP
Chief Nursing and Midwifery
Officer, WA Department of Health

It gives me great pleasure to warmly welcome you to the 2025 WA Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards Gala Ball. Our celebrations tonight aptly fall in between key dates recognising our professions of nursing and midwifery. International Day of the Midwife was celebrated on May 5 and International Nurses Day will be celebrated on May 12.

Tonight, I am honoured to showcase the amazing 2025 WA Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards finalists, while also recognising the broader teams in which they work and who support them daily.

Nurses and midwives compose the largest number of professionals in our health workforce and, through vast and varied roles and functions, demonstrate the necessary skills and talent to provide both frontline and behind the scenes healthcare. Working tirelessly, nurses and midwives ensure our State is equipped to provide exceptional care for our diverse

communities regardless of location. As the Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer, I am proud of our professions and the continuous achievements and advancements made while still prioritising and showing selfless and compassionate dedication to those requiring care.

Once again, our finalists' nominations were submitted by their peers, colleagues, and consumers and were truly remarkable. Each narrative highlighted an inspirational nurse, midwife or team who exemplified the finest in our professions. A robust and competitive shortlisting and judging process determined our finalists and winners tonight, all who truly deserve to be here. I thank the shortlisting and judging panels for the difficult task in selecting our finalists and winners.

The winner from one of the 14 categories will also be named the 2025 WA Nurse/Midwife of the Year in recognition of their

outstanding contribution to our professions and the community they serve.

Another important part of this evening is the induction of a nurse or midwife onto the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Honour roll. This award recognises the exceptional service provided by this individual to their profession throughout their career and acknowledges their sustained and significant contribution to the wellbeing of others on a local, national, and global scale.

I would like to express my gratitude to everyone attending tonight as we recognise and celebrate the achievements of our finalists, winners, and Lifetime Achievement recipient. Events like this cannot, and would not happen, without the generous support of yourselves, and our sponsors.

A MESSAGE FROM THE 2024 NURSE OF THE YEAR



PERRI WADDELL
2024 Nurse of the Year

It is with immense gratitude and pride that I welcome you to the 2025 WA Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards Gala Ball. A heartfelt thank you to the WANMEA Awards Committee, the gala ball organisers, and our generous sponsors, especially my alma mater, Edith Cowan University, for bringing this prestigious celebration to life.

Tonight, we gather to honour the nurses and midwives whose dedication, compassion, and service continue to inspire us all. These are the individuals who go beyond the call of duty, who lead with both heart and skill, and who embody the very essence of our noble profession. Their stories remind us why we chose this path, and why we remain steadfast in it. As Mahatma Gandhi once said, "*The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.*"

As the 2024 recipient of both the Excellence in Residential Care Award and the WA Nurse of the Year, I've spent the past year reflecting on what true excellence in nursing looks like. It is not measured solely by accolades, but by compassion, resilience, teamwork, and the unwavering commitment to show up, day after day, often in the face of adversity, to care for others.

Excellence also lies in the courage to challenge the status quo and in the boldness to lead by lifting others up: by sharing knowledge generously, and by leading with kindness and respect. Especially kindness and respect for our entry-level and younger nurses, who bring vibrancy and new perspectives to the profession. And it is of course about us "*never considering ourselves finished nurses ... we must be learning*

all of our lives" as Florence Nightingale famously claimed.

To all this year's outstanding finalists: congratulations. Your impact is already profound. You are the kind of nurse others want to work alongside, and your presence here tonight is a powerful acknowledgment of that.

To my colleagues and future awardees: continue to lead with empathy, integrity, and excellence. And to the families, institutions, and communities that support us, thank you for standing beside us and helping us carry this vital work forward.

May this evening not only celebrate achievement but also rekindle the spark that drives us to keep striving, together, for something greater.

With heartfelt appreciation,
Perri Waddell.



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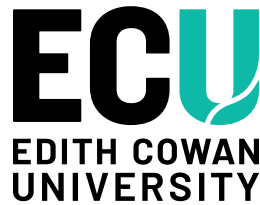
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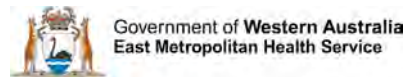
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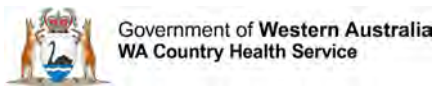
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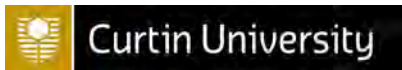
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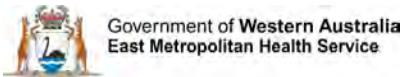
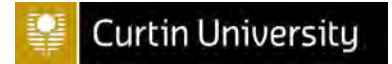


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