

Media statement

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Nambour General Hospital one step closer to its vision

Thanks to a generous donation of \$100,344 from the Nambour General Hospital Auxiliary, the Nambour General Hospital (NGH) is preparing itself in becoming the elective orthopaedic and general surgery centre for the Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service in the near future.

The donation has allowed for the purchase of a C-arm Imaging Scanner Intensifier. Mark Adcock, Nursing Service Director, Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service, said the equipment is used primarily for intraoperative imaging during surgical procedures.

“The C-arm allows for more precise information, at the time of operation, instead of waiting until the post-operative period to take images,” Mr Adcock said.

“This allows for better surgery outcomes for our patients and greatly reduces the need to return to the operating theatre.

“It isn’t new technology but it is essential if we want to remain at the forefront of orthopaedics. We’re so grateful to the Auxiliary team for identifying the importance of this equipment” he said.

“We can’t thank the Auxiliary enough for their tireless work and this significant donation.”

The generous donors, NGH Auxiliary, are a non-profit organisation. All the funds raised from the sales of the gift shop and kiosk go towards buying necessary equipment such as the C-arm for the patients and staff of the hospital.

Jean Whitney, President, NGH Auxiliary, said since opening in March 1986 they have proudly donated over \$2 million in equipment to various departments around the hospital. All of this is made possible by the dedication of the volunteers.

“The Auxiliary selected the purchase of the C-arm as it is essential in the development of elective orthopaedic services at Nambour, we wanted to do our bit towards delivering on the strategic vision for NGH.”

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WHAT: Mark Adcock and Jean Whitney show the new C-arm imaging scanner intensifier

WHERE: 9am 5 April 2019, meet at foyer of Nambour General Hospital