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Share your ideas and help improve health services in Gympie

Gympie residents, here’s your chance to have your say, share your ideas for improvement in the way public healthcare is delivered in your community.

Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service (SCHHS) is seeking expressions of interest for patients, family members and carers to join the Gympie Hospital and the Gympie Consumer Partnership Group as a consumer representative.

Director of Gympie Hospital, Leuwin Ferguson said the health service embraced the philosophy of ‘working with’ rather than ‘doing to’ people, and was looking for people to work with them on reviewing and improving services from a patient perspective.

“We are actively seeking expressions of interest from consumers, carers and community members who want a greater say in the planning, design, delivery and evaluation of Gympie Hospital and the way we deliver our services,” Ms Ferguson said.

“Our consumer representatives currently participate in our management committees, in the evaluation of patient care and in our community based activities with the objective to improve health literacy and access to services.

“This is a real opportunity to participate and make a difference,” she said.

Consumer representatives will be offered education, orientation and support to enable them to be effective consumer representatives.

To express an interest in becoming a consumer representative, phone Gympie Hospital on 5489 8444 to request an application pack.

The closing date for Expressions of Interest is Friday, 15 January 2016.

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