Annual Patient Safety Day lands at Sunshine Coast University Hospital

Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service (SCHHS) staff will come together on Thursday, 12 October to focus on patient safety, at the fourth annual Patient Safety Day.

Clinical Director Safety, Quality and Innovation, Dr Morne Terblanche said SCHHS continued to focus on delivering high quality patient-centred care and the Patient Safety Day will raise awareness of ways to improve high reliability care, incident prevention and look at how technology can improve patient safety.

“Patient safety is a fundamental principle of health care,” Dr Terblanche said.

“We hold an annual SCHHS Patient Safety Day to help us continue to improve health outcomes,” Dr Terblanche said.

“We must always ensure that what we do is focussed on patient centred care and consider the impact our actions have on our patients.

“Our staff strive to provide exceptional patient care at all times and this year our event has an aviation theme, Flight SCHHS”, Dr Terblanche said.

Safety in healthcare has often been compared with safety in aviation and safety management in both industries, includes detailed procedures, checklists and staff training including human factor interventions.

Executive Director Innovation, Quality, Research and Education, Dr Margaret Way said, guest speakers from across the nation, and a guest speaker from Papua New Guinea will be attending this year’s event.

“We will reflect on the impact that leadership has on the safety of our patients and ways in which technology can improve the patient experience”.

INTERVIEW / PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

What: Interview with Executive Director Innovation, Quality, Research and Education, Dr Margaret Way

When: 10.30am Thursday, 12 October 2017
Where: Meet at Sunshine Coast University Hospital Reception, for media event at SCHI.

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