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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO



Due to your generosity, St John of God Foundation raised significant funds over the past 12 months towards revolutionary medical research, contemporary hospital infrastructure, clinical equipment and critical social services.

The tireless efforts that our medical professionals pour into researching the causes of, and potential treatments for, disease have made many once life-threatening conditions just a distant memory.

However, there is still plenty of work to be done.

For this work to continue and for us to make a real difference to health outcomes - we rely on your generous support.

I hope that you enjoy reading about how your generosity has been translated into life-changing outcomes for thousands of people.

Nick Harvey
Chief Executive Officer
St John of God Foundation

SERVICE HELPS MUMS FIND HAPPINESS

Acting Director Raphael Services, Helen McAllister, said most people expect to feel happy and excited when expecting or upon arrival of a baby but this is not always the case.

“Pregnancy and childbirth can also bring a lot of physical, emotional and social changes that can be hard to deal with,” she said.

“If you are a new parent who is struggling with emotional health issues, remember you are not alone.

“Up to one in 10 women and one in 20 men experience antenatal depression. More than one in seven new mums and up to one in 10 new dads experience postnatal depression.”

Catherine, mother of two, recently benefited from this service.

“I’m much stronger now and I am slowly getting back to normality,” she said. “I can honestly now say I feel happy and relaxed and I am enjoying my new baby.”

Andrea Deane



MUM KEEN TO GIVE BACK TO CANCER DIAGNOSIS

At 52, Andrea Deane was leading a life like many others – she was a loving wife, a mother of two beautiful children and a friend to many within her close-knit community in Western Australia’s South West.

It was not until a recent routine mammogram, that Andrea was diagnosed with breast cancer.

“I was in complete denial. I actually thought she was talking about someone else. I wanted for her to stop talking and for me to go home,” Andrea said.

After coming to terms with her diagnosis, Andrea decided she had to seek out the best possible surgeon. She did her research and decided that St John of God Subiaco Hospital’s Professor

Christobel Saunders would be her surgeon in what was expected to be a quick surgery.

However, while Professor Saunders was conducting the procedure, three more calcifications were found. “Thank god the first calcification was picked up, otherwise I’d be in a bad way right now,” Andrea said.

After the procedure, “Christobel put her hand on my leg and told me I’d been cured, she got it all,” Andrea said.

Thanks to Professor Saunders, Andrea is now completely cured and is hoping to raise funds for new breast cancer machinery.

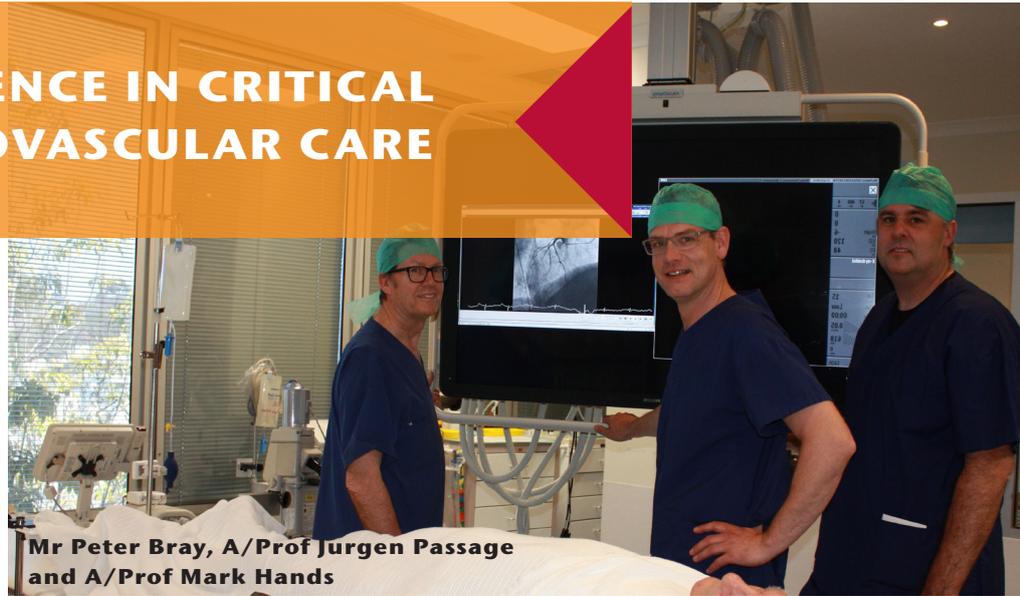
To watch Andrea’s full story, go to www.sjgfoundation.tv

EXCELLENCE IN CRITICAL CARDIOVASCULAR CARE

St John of God Subiaco Hospital is one of the few private hospitals in Perth to provide critical cardiovascular care.

Highly trained cardiologists, vascular and cardiothoracic surgeons work closely together to provide timely interventions and care for complex patients in state-of-the-art vascular laboratories.

The hospital recently updated the equipment in the Cardiac and Vascular Intervention Laboratories (CIVIL) to provide consultants with sharper imaging to detect and diagnose



Mr Peter Bray, A/Prof Jurgen Passage and A/Prof Mark Hands

patients' conditions and optimise care.

St John of God Subiaco Hospital Head of Department Cardiology Associate Professor Mark Hands said the state-of-the-art equipment and highly skilled team was enabling more high-risk interventions to be undertaken at the hospital that would traditionally have occurred only at a public tertiary care hospital.

"With Intensive Care, Coronary Care and Chest Pain Clinics and consultants available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, there is the added reassurance that high-level urgent care can be provided if needed," he said.

CIVIL provides cardiac and vascular angiographic diagnosis and intervention and electrophysiology arrhythmia treatment.

Sanela Bilic and Dr Paul Cohen



ONE STEP CLOSER TO SCREENING TEST FOR OVARIAN CANCER

Ovarian cancer is the eighth most common cancer and the sixth most common cause of cancer death affecting women in Australia.

Often undiagnosed until it has spread to other organs and tissue, early detection is the key to survival and a team of researchers is launching a new study they are confident will help develop the first blood screening test for early-stage ovarian cancer.

Led by Dr Elin Gray and Professor Mel Ziman at Edith Cowan University, in collaboration with St John of

God Subiaco Hospital Head of Gynaecological Cancer Research Dr Paul Cohen and Medical Oncologist Dr Tarek Meniawy, this study builds on earlier research which shows that early-stage ovarian cancer can be detected by a non-invasive pre-natal blood test (NIPT).

Normally used to screen for Down Syndrome in early pregnancy, this test

may also detect circulating tumour DNA in the blood stream. "The earlier ovarian cancer can be detected, the earlier treatment can begin and the greatest chance we have of stopping the cancer spreading to surrounding tissues and organs," Dr Cohen said.

This research is being undertaken in collaboration with researchers from Edith Cowan University.

WISH LIST



Lifesaving medical research

Your gift towards medical research will help us to provide patients with access to the latest treatments, cures and cutting-edge technology.



State-of-the-art clinical equipment

You can contribute towards providing new and improved treatments and procedures, delivering better health outcomes for the community.



Contemporary hospital infrastructure

Your gift towards contemporary hospital infrastructure will see a significant impact to strengthening the facilities in the communities which we operate.



Critical social outreach services

A gift towards our social outreach services means we are able to build a sustainable capacity to support the holistic wellness of those whose lives we touch.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We rely on your generosity to enable us to provide optimal care for the community, through excellence in medical research, contemporary facilities, clinical equipment, and critical social services.

Make a donation

A regular monthly gift will help support long term projects and its outcomes.

Give in memory or celebration

Make a gift in lieu of flowers to honour an occasion or your loved one.

Make a bequest

Through a bequest, you can feel assured that part of your estate will leave a lasting legacy and continue to benefit the community.

Community fundraising and events

You can help us continue our significant community work by holding your own fundraising event.

Corporate partnerships

We believe that dynamic partnerships with corporations are essential in providing the community with the best care.

Volunteer

By giving the valuable gift of time, you can help us raise vital funds for the lifesaving care provided by our hospitals.

Philanthropy Report 2017

Get your copy! St John of God Foundation's Philanthropy Report 2017 will be inserted into The West Australian on Saturday, 20th May 2017.

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