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## Easter Bunny hops into Redland Hospital

### Volunteers Easter ready

The Easter stall may be over but there are still plenty of special Easter inspired goodies available at the Koala Kiosk.

The lovely Redland Hospital Auxiliary volunteers are busy raising much needed funds for vital pieces of equipment the hospital needs.

So hop on down to the Koala Kiosk and lend a helping hand.

*Happy Easter to our amazing volunteers.*





## Happy Happy new mums and dads get special Easter deliveries

While the Easter Bunny is busy this weekend delivering eggs, the team at Redland Hospital will be busy delivering the newest members of Bayside families.

With 15 babies born over the four-day Easter weekend last year, we will have to wait and see how many Easter 2019 brings.

We wish everyone a Happy Easter from Redland Hospital with a gentle reminder ... eggs are best in moderation!

*Featured: Midwife Jane Hitchcock with Rebecca Carlson and baby Isaac.*

## Did you know that cold chain management is a component of medication safety?

CNC Infection Control Vicky Bruton said all medications that needed to be stored in a fridge should be stored within the temperature range of +2 to +8C – strive for +5C.

She said temperatures outside of this range for a period could lead to instability of that medication and inactivate it.

“These include life-saving medicines such as antivenoms and reversal agents that can cause a potential problem for our patients now and in the future if the vaccine hasn’t worked.”

Vicky said it could also mean having to discard expensive medications. Fridge temperatures are monitored but if you hear the fridge alarm please:

- Identify and if possible rectify the cause of the alarm (it is usually that the door has been left open),
- If the temperature returns to normal range within 15 minutes, no further action is required,
- If the temperatures is outside of parameters >15 minutes this is a COLD CHAIN BREACH.

“All cold chain breaches must be reported immediately reported to Team Leader, NUM and Pharmacy.

“After hours can be reported to the AHNM and all stock within the fridge must be quarantined until advice can be obtained from the pharmacist.

“It is your responsibility to make sure you are giving refrigerated medication that has been stored at the correct temperature so don’t forget to check.”

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## New LGBTI Liaison Officer Program launched

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) Liaison Officers from the Brisbane Region have today launched a new service allowing members of the community the ability to contact them 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The Queensland Police Service (QPS) is committed to ensuring policing services are accessible to all members of the community.

Police work closely with LGBTI communities to develop partnerships, awareness and understanding of impacting issues.

The LGBTI Liaison Officer Program provides a professional, non-discriminatory, accessible policing service to members of the LGBTI communities.

As part of the LGBTI Liaison Program, a number of police personnel are dedicated LGBTI liaison officers.

These officers are located throughout the State and undertake the role in addition to their regular duties.

Liaison officers can provide support and assistance to LGBTI community members when dealing with police matters.

It is important to note that all police related issues or complaints from LGBTI community members can be reported to any police officer or via Policelink.

If however you wish to speak to an LGBTI Liaison Officer please advise the officer taking your complaint or contact Policelink on 131 444 who will transfer you through to the on-call officer.

## April No Falls

Redland Hospital nursing staff have held a bake sale to raise awareness and funds towards the No Falls Friday initiative.

**Featured:** Falls Prevention pod group members Shannen Denby, EN Macleay Ward, Maya Pratap, CN Canaipa Ward, Victoria Zhang, A/CN Macleay Ward.



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