

OCTOBER NEWS

How does the Haematology Clinical Research Unit use the money the Foundation raises?

By Dr Nicole Wong Doo Director - Haematology Clinical Research Unit Concord

This year the Haematology Clinical Research Unit was given a cheque for \$230,000 by the Foundation which represented the funds raised at A Bloody Great Night Out! 2022, and various other donations to the Foundation.

How are we using the money?

- The Research Unit used these funds to employ our clinical research nurses who provide safe care for all of our patients on clinical trials.
- The funds also contributed to funding one of our clinicall research fellows whom we would like to recognise as our inaugural Bloody Great Fellow Dr Monique Menzies-Wojtowicz. She has been working as a research fellow at Concord Haematology Clinical Research Unit since early 2022 and has provided invaluable senior medical input. Her compassionate approach to patients who are undertaking a leap of faith by participating in clinical research is outstanding, and many patients note that her empathic approach helps to set Concord's HCRU apart from other departments. Dr Monique Menzies-Wojtowicz is a tremendous team player who is a great role model for other fellows and impresses our research staff with her generosity of time and availability.
- The Research Unit and the Foundation has also provided seed funding to the exciting new digital initiative My Hodgkin My Health (MHMH), which invites Hodgkin patients to use a novel mobile application to enter their own long-term health data and become partners in our research. MHMH, led by Professor Trotman and Dr Nicole Wong Doo, received ethics committee approval in 2023, and the pilot will commence by end 2023, with a view to this becoming an international project. – How exciting!



Dr Monique Menzies-Wojtowicz

Concord Haematology supported by the Foundation for A Bloody Great Cause invites all our haematology patients and their carers to

The Haematology Patient & Carers' Education Day 2023

When: 9am-3pm, Wednesday 18 October **Where:** Concord Medical Education Centre, Enter via Gate 3, Hospital Rd, Concord Hospital

THIS IS A FREE INFORMATION EVENT

If you are a haematology patient or carer, please join our incredible speakers as they bring you the latest in all things haematology. Morning tea and lunch provided.



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aBLCODY great sports raffle!

Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets in our Bloody Great Sports Raffle. The tickets were sold at Concord Hospital by our fabulous hospital staff volunteers and at the Ferragosto stall on 20th August at Five Dock by our Committee.

Ferragosto was visited by over 100,000 people, it was a fabulous day celebrating Italian culture in our community.

Congratulations to our raffle winners!

To view the winners of the raffle please visit:

www.abloodygreatcause.com.au/winners-of-sports-raffle





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