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Adjunct Associate Professor Alanna Geary

Adjunct Associate Professor Alanna Geary is the Metro North Hospital and Health Service Executive Director of Nursing and Midwifery.

Immediately after completing her general nursing training in Gympie in 1984, Alanna commenced work at Royal Brisbane Hospital (RBH) in the private medical surgical ward, then neurosurgical intensive care.

In 1987, she began her midwifery training at the Royal Women's Hospital (RWH), returning to RBH in 1988 to work in surgery and, subsequently, orthopaedics. After a very brief hiatus to have children, Alanna then worked for 10 years in infection control, during which she completed her Bachelor of Nursing in 1994 and a Masters of Health Science in 2001.

Prior to being appointed to the Metro North Hospital and Health Service Executive Director of Nursing and Midwifery position in March 2015, Alanna was the Nursing Director in Cancer Care Services - a position she held for just over 10 years. This role then evolved into her being appointed as the Cancer Care Service Directorate Stream Lead for Nursing.

Among many achievements in leading a strong Cancer Care nursing team, Alanna most notably created the vision, strategy and led the implementation of the Cancer Care Nursing Services Professorial Precinct and led the establishment of a dedicated Cancer Care Nursing Research Unit - an initiative that was awarded a Premier's Award for Excellence in Leadership in December 2014.

Now, with RBWH Executive and Metro North, Alanna plans to meet inevitable challenges head on, nurture and grow the next group of nursing and midwifery professionals and, most of all, develop and mould the nursing profession to ensure RBWH can provide the best possible care to patients and their families.

