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BETHESDA HEALTH CARE LEADS THE WAY WITH A RECORD SIX WORKSAFE WA PLATINUM CERTIFICATES

Bethesda Health Care (Bethesda) in Claremont has retained their WorkSafe Platinum Status for a further two years. This is the sixth consecutive time that the health provider has received this prestigious award. Bethesda are the only health care organisation or hospital to receive this accolade and to retain it over 12 years is unprecedented.

Bethesda Clinic, Bethesda's second site private mental health hospital located south of the river in Cockburn, also received the Platinum Certificate, making the Clinic the first mental health facility to receive the accolade in WA.

To achieve a Platinum Certificate from WorkSafe WA, organisations have to demonstrate a rating of 90% or more in every element of the WorkSafe Plan in the areas of Management Commitment, Planning, Consultation, Hazard Management and Training and Supervision, as well as record an annual reduction in either the incidence rate or frequency rate of lost time injury.

WorkSafe Plan Certificates of Achievement are presented at three levels:

- Silver Certificates: Organisations meeting minimum standards.
- Gold Certificates: Organisations demonstrating good progress toward a best practice approach to safety and health management.
- Platinum Certificates: organisations that achieve highest standards.

Bethesda Health Care were advised of their Platinum Certificate at the end of SafeWork Month in October 2023. Acting SafeWork Commissioner, Sally North, presented the Platinum Status Certificate to Bethesda today.

Dr Neale Fong said that "It is an amazing achievement to have retained a Platinum rating since 2013, especially in a health care environment, and being the only organisation in WA to do this is a testament to our staff".

"Prioritising a high work health and safety standard across two hospitals is just another example of our staff going above and beyond for our patients and their colleagues".

Bethesda is an independent 86-bed award-winning hospital in Claremont who has been providing care and service to the Western Australian community for more than 80 years. Bethesda also provides a community palliative care service, the Metropolitan Palliative Care Consultancy Service.

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