



“ *Being involved with the program has allowed me to share my experience as a renal nurse with new nurses, while also picking up some new information and skills from colleagues. It's an invaluable skill sharing program.* **”**

Patricia – Ballarat Health Service, VIC (Patricia Coutts)



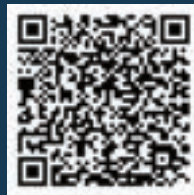
Kidney Health Nurse Ambassador Program

Forging stronger pathways of support for people living with kidney disease



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Join the Kidney Health Nurse Ambassador Program to connect your renal unit and your patients more directly to Kidney Health Australia's programs, services and resources. It is also a great way to share ideas and connect with other Nurse Ambassadors across Australia, and increase your professional development capabilities.

“ *I wanted the Kimberly Renal Service to be part of the Australia wide Kidney Community, so they joined the Kidney Health Nurse Ambassador Program and are looking forward to working together and sharing our resources.* **”**

Rachel – Kimberly Renal Services, WA
 (Rachel Ebsary CKD Educator)



What is the Kidney Health Nurse Ambassador Program?

The Kidney Health Nurse Ambassador Program is a volunteer program for renal nurses to become an Ambassador for Kidney Health in their renal unit. It is a joint initiative between Kidney Health Australia and the Renal Society of Australasia. The program was launched in June 2021 and aims to eventually have every renal unit in Australia connected to Kidney Health Australia's programs and resources.



What's involved?

By joining the Kidney Health Nurse Ambassador Program, you get to be involved in:

- Promoting Kidney Health Australia resources and information to patients.
- Providing feedback on, and input into improving Kidney Health Australia's resources, programs and services.
- Promoting and facilitating patient participation in peer support activities.
- Being the voice for your colleagues and patients as part of our network, sharing ideas and learnings.
- Assisting with periodic awareness and fundraising activities within your unit and hospital to spread support for kidney disease among the broader community.
- Assisting in the delivery of education sessions to local communities using Kidney Health Australia resources in consultation with Kidney Health Australia's Clinical Program and Partnerships team (optional).

Who can apply?

To be eligible for the Program you must have the following:

- Qualification as a renal nurse in Australia – public and private.
- RSA membership (or you can apply for RSA membership as part of your application).
- Line Manager endorsement.
- Passion to improve quality of life for people with CKD.
- Willingness and enthusiasm to facilitate connections and involvement in activities in your renal unit.

How do I get involved?

- Before expressing interest, please check with your line manager.
- Complete the short expression of interest form available on our website at [kidney.org.au/renalnurseambassador](https://www.kidney.org.au/renalnurseambassador) or access the QR code on back of brochure.
- Our team will make contact and discuss requirements in more detail and provide access to our Volunteer Portal to complete your registration.



What support do I receive?

Kidney Health Australia's Community Engagement and Primary Care team will provide ongoing support to your role as a Kidney Health Nurse Ambassador. When you join the Program, you will receive a welcome pack in the post, regular program updates via newsletter and be invited to attend our Zoom catch ups to discuss the program and provide feedback.

After more information about the program?

Get in touch with us by visiting our website or calling the **Kidney Helpline on 1800 454 363** or emailing volunteering@kidney.org.au