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## New Director of Nursing

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2009

Northeast Health Wangaratta (NHW) Chief Executive Officer Ms Lis Wilson today announced the appointment of a new Director of Clinical Services - Nursing to the organisation, Meryn Pease.

Ms Pease will commence employment as the new Director of Clinical Services - Nursing on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2009. Ms Wilson said "We are very pleased to have Ms Pease joining our team and look forward to her involvement in addressing the current and future needs of our local health service".

The primary purpose of the role of the Director of Clinical Services - Nursing is to ensure that the highest level of clinical nursing services is provided to patients, clients and residents at NHW. The Director of Clinical Services – Nursing will be responsible for strategic and day-to-day management of the organisations acute wards, operating theatres, the clinical support unit, short stay unit, admissions and discharge unit, nursing staff and nursing administration.

Ms Pease was the successful candidate from a well contested field that included applicants from Victoria and elsewhere in Australasia. While originally trained in Bendigo, Victoria, Ms Pease has held the majority of her senior positions in Queensland – currently she is the Director of Nursing at Hervey Bay/Maryborough Hospitals. With a Master of Health Administration from the University of New South Wales, Ms Pease has also partially completed her Doctorate in Health Services Management.

***\*\*Please note: Upon commencement at Northeast Health Wangaratta Ms Pease will be available for interviews. To arrange an appointment please contact the CEO's office on (03) 5722 0280***