

# MEDIA RELEASE



## Latipsoh Charity Golf Day at Jubilee SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2006

Latipsoh fever is continuing this weekend when Northeast Health Wangaratta hold their 4th annual Latipsoh Charity Golf Day at Jubilee Golf Club. The day will consist of 4 member teams playing an Ambrose format. Entry fee per team is \$100 which includes a BBQ lunch and drinks will be available for purchase on the course.

There are a number of prestigious awards and great prizes up for grabs in the following categories:

- Winning Team – Perpetual Trophy
- Runner Up Team
- 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Place Teams
- Longest Drive – Men & Women
- Nearest to the Pin on all Par 3s – Men & Women
- NAGA Team Award
- Best Dressed Team

Last year Northeast Health Wangaratta raised \$15,886.80 towards the purchase of a Resuscitaire Cot for the Midwifery Department and we hope to raise at least this much again in 2006. Since the inaugural **LATIPSOH DAY** in 2002, the Appeal has raised over \$450,000 for the 11 participating hospitals and health services and this year organisers are aiming to increase total funds raised to over \$500,000. Last year Northeast Health Wangaratta raised \$15,886.80 and we hope to raise at least this much again in 2006.

All monies raised by Northeast Health Wangaratta through the **LATIPSOH DAY** Appeal this year will go towards the building of a new Oncology Unit. The demand for Oncology services in the area has increased dramatically and the Unit has outgrown its current first floor location with inadequate circulation space between patient treatment chairs, congestion due to limited floor area and storage space, lack of privacy and confidentiality, clinical risk in the event of patient collapse or cardiac arrest and shared toilet facilities are external to the Unit.

The proposed new Oncology Unit will address all current issues by increasing the existing Unit space from 54.7m<sup>2</sup> to 156m<sup>2</sup> in the new Unit, which will be located on the ground floor directly in front of the main entrance and foyer. To build the new Oncology Unit, we need the support and generosity of our local community to raise \$250,000.00.

Increased circulation space between patient treatment areas, a private interview room for patient and family discussions and counselling, infrastructure upgrades to promote staff and patient safety and improve comfort conditions, internal patient amenities, large storage facilities and an improve outlook for patients are just some of the improvements that will come with the new unit.

You can also support the Latipsoh Appeal by purchasing Latipsoh merchandise including lapel badges, wrist bands, t-shirts, caps and stubby holder or buying a raffle ticket in the hospital's front foyer in Green Street. To participate in the Latipsoh Charity Golf Day, please contact Tanya Tatulaschwili at Northeast Health Wangaratta on (03) 5722 0448.