



LEAP

Leveraging Effective Ambulatory Practices

LEAP Project Update

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Happy New Year!

Hello and a Happy New Year to you! We hope this year is a fabulous year, and hope that it will be an even better year because of your involvement with the LEAP Project :). In this update we share about some of the visits with LEAP service partners at the end of last year, and we take a look at what is coming up for the LEAP Project in 2019. Here's to a productive year...



2018 in review: services we visited

There was a flurry of service visits across the Top End at the end of last year, with visits to service partners on Elcho Island and in Townsville, Charleville, Bamaga and Gunbalanya in Arnhem Land. The LEAP project team met many amazing people, we learnt so much and are all now working hard to draft the initial case study summaries for each of the service partners. Over 115 community members, health workers and managers have shared their stories about their health service with the LEAP project team so far. Thank you everyone who has contributed, and to the teams who hosted us so generously throughout 2018!

Photo (L-R): Gwen Dhamarrandji, Sarah Bukulatjpi, Catrina Felton-Busch, Rrapa Dhurrkay and Stella Gondarra in Galawin'ku, Elcho Island. To read more about the Ngalkanbuy Health Service, follow the link.

[Ngalkanbuy health service at Galiwin'ku >>](#)

We will be back! What's next for 2019

Well, not sure any of us can claim to be Arnold Schwarzenegger, but we are committed to returning to your service during the first half of 2019! Once we have analysed interviews and reviewed other documents shared by service partners, we will return to each of the service partners to discuss the case study summaries and talk about possible actions to address service challenges. We will be in contact with each of the services in the next few months to arrange these visits.

Photo: Keith Carney and Morva Wong from Queensland Health met with Donald Whaleboat and Michelle Redman-MacLaren from JCU at the Seisia Health Clinic in December, 2018.



Developing our LEAP Toolkit

After we complete the case study summaries, we will work with services to identify implementation challenges. One resource that will be developed is a toolkit - a group of resources, tools and processes that can inform action by health service partners. For now, you may be interested in the AMSANT treasure trove of CQI resources - follow the link below.

If you have information or resources that you think might be useful for remotes services wanting to improve health service delivery, please send them through to:

leap@jcu.edu.au

[AMSANT CQI Tools >>](#)



Communication and Media

The LEAP project is now live on the web! Feel free to share this link with your community members, colleagues and funding bodies. We will upload our regular Updates there, and to support us as a Learning Community, we will soon have a link to presentations and papers that are generated by the LEAP Project.

Visit: <https://research.jcu.edu.au/abrc/health-systems-strengthening-and-workforce>

The next LEAP Project meeting will be held on Wednesday Wednesday 6th February 2019 at 3pm (QLD) (or 1pm in West or 2.30 in NT or 4pm in NSW). If you are unable to

join the meeting, Minutes will also be distributed. Look out for the calendar invite from leap@jcu.edu.au

[LEAP Project web link >>](#)

Let's meet in Darwin

The next face-to-face meeting for LEAP service partners and the LEAP project team will be held Tuesday 30th and Wednesday 31st July in Darwin, NT. We are currently finalising the venue and will be in touch in the next month or two to begin making arrangements for travel. If you have any queries about this meeting, please email us at leap@jcu.edu.au



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Photo Spot

This Update, we are sharing a photo from Bidjara country taken by Karen Carlisle. The 'Wayanana Pathway' is on the north side of the Warrego River and is a part of the South West Queensland Indigenous Cultural Trail. In Bidjara language, Wayanana means "I'll be walking around somewhere else when he comes." If you have a photo you would like

to share, just email us at leap@jcu.edu.au

More information

If you have questions or would like more information about anything you have read in this LEAP Project Update, please email leap@jcu.edu.au If you no longer wish to receive this Update please email leap@jcu.edu.au and your details will be removed from the distribution list.



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