

# BMT Network NSW Presentation

## June 2022



# Vision & Mission

- To improve the quality of life for all people needing bone marrow transplants and cellular treatments
- To achieve this our **mission** is to:
  - **Support** patients and their carers before, during and after treatment
  - Provide **education** and professional development opportunities for nurses and other health professionals
  - **Fund medical research** to improve patient outcomes

# About Arrow

- Strong 30 year history; established in 1987
- Established and financed the Australasian Bone Marrow Transplant Registry (ABMTRR)
- Patient information guides – allogeneic and autologous with the Bone Marrow Transplant Network NSW
- St Vincent's Hospital Haematology, Blood and Marrow Transplant Ward
- Arrow House patient accommodation
- Hawkesbury Canoe Classic – major funder; \$4m+ raised since 1993



# Strategic Goals

- **Triple** patient support over 3 years with a **tailored** program designed to meet patient needs
- Expand and develop our **nurse and health professional educational program** through partnership with leading educational institutions and **increased awareness** amongst BMT community
- Support **targetted medical research** into BMT

# Patient Support Programs

- Travel - \$600 pa petrol cards
- Accommodation - \$600 pa
- IGA Grocery Cards - \$600 pa
- Utilities - \$600 pa (water, electricity, telephone/internet)
- Application referral form sent to [rkoller@arrow.org.au](mailto:rkoller@arrow.org.au)



# FY 2021 Patient Support

**\$95,541**

Financial Support Provided for Australian Transplant Patients

**111**

Nights of Accommodation Provided in Major Capital Cities across Australia supporting 23 Patient Families

**313**

Nights of Accommodation supplied at Arrow House supporting 80 Patients

**14**

Families supported with Emergency Financial Assistance for household utilities

**37**

Children undergoing Transplant supported with our Patient Support Programs

**82**

Families provided with Grocery Card Assistance

**63**

Families provided with Petrol Card Travel Assistance

# Patient Support Programs

- “This support is very important; not only financially but more importantly mentally. With this support, we know we are not alone and we are not forgotten. It’s a big challenge for us but we know there is someone caring about us. It has made our life a bit easier”



# Nurse Education

- Graduate Certificate of Cancer Care

- Professor Geoffrey Driscoll Scholarship:



- Australian College of Nursing

- Cellular Therapies and Foundations of Haematology Nursing modules (approx \$5k)

- Masters of Cancer and Haematology Nursing

- University of Sydney



- 1 scholarship per year

- Travel and conferences scholarships





# Further Information

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