MAY 2021



# THE MONTHLY CATCH UP

Life Choice - Team Newsletter



### Welcome home!

We are absolutely thrilled to have welcomed two new SIL homes to the Life Choice team. Our two brand new facilities in Urraween are absolutely stunning! Some of the exciting features include, air conditioning, adjustable benchtops, accessible oven and appliances and a spacious outdoor entertaining area.



## Hello hello

Welcome to my first
'Monthly catch up'
team newsletter as your new CEO.

If we haven't met yet, I look forward to hopefully meeting you in the coming weeks at one of our Town Hall Meetings.

It will be a great opportunity to say 'hello' and discuss any ideas/feedback you would like to share.

Take care, Karen Owens

### Have your say

### **Actions update from the Staff Engagement Survey**

As you know, we are working on a few projects, as per your feedback during this years staff engagement survey, here are the updates.

### **TRACCS**

As always, Jayden has been working tirelessly on improving and maintaining the TRACCS system.

Currently, he is working on improving the Annual Leave application functionality. The notes feature is currently under review to eliminate the current issues e.g freezing/crashing the app. Jayden is also working on the document viewing feature to ensure you have access to the relevant documents pre and post shift.

### **Online Communication Group**

We have put together a closed Facebook group and are currently in the process of testing its user friendliness. Once this is available, we will send the link out to all staff inviting them to join. This group will be an optional portal, for staff to access communication information and learning opportunities. Please be aware that if you would like to be included in the group you will be required to acknowledge and accept the group rules, e.g adhering to the 5 Non - negotiables, Code of Conduct within the group etc. Stay tuned!

# Access to our Organisation Chart

You should now be able to view the current Organisational Structure via the Life Choice Website. Please contact Tilly in HR if you require assistance logging on to the staff website.







## **Upcoming Events**

Next week we will be holding our first round of Town Hall Meetings. Myself and the rest of the Leadership Team will be attending to answer any questions you may have as well as take onboard any constructive feedback you would like to contribute.

Come along, meet the team (if you haven't already) and enjoy a bite on us.

12.00pm 9th June
The Hive Maryborough

12.00pm 10th June
The Hub Hervey Bay

## **Position vacancies**

Unfortunately our NDIS Funding guru Jess will be heading off on her next adventure in the coming weeks. As such we are looking for an experienced **NDIS Funding Coordinator** to join our team.

We are always on the hunt for passionate individuals to join the Life Choice team. We currently have vacancies for **Lifestyle Support Workers** across our SIL and Service Delivery teams.

Applications can be sent to **hr@lifechoicewbb.org** 

# **MEET THE TEAM**



# Simone Ginman Support Coordination - Team Leader

Simone joined the Life Choice team back in January 2021 as a Senior Support Coordinator and has since stepped up into the Leadership position. Recently, we have also welcomed, Tracee Kepler and Maria Mawhinney to our Support Coordination Team. The team is now made up of eight exceptional Support Coordinators from RN's to Mental Health Specialists who bring a wealth of knowledge to the Life Choice team and their participants.

# Lucy Bransgrove (Speech Pathologist) Allied Health - Team Leader

Lucy has been a practicing Speech Pathologist for over 10 years and has recently joined our Allied Health team as the Team Leader. Since joining the Leadership Team, Lucy has implemented lots of great initiatives. Lucy currently manages a team of seven clinicians as well as delivering excellent Speech therapy to our participants.



Participants, Members, Stakeholders

Company Secretary
Liz Kahler

Board of Directors – Chair Darrel Richter

Chief Executive Officer

PRC

**External Audit** 

|                            | Karren Owens            |                         |                    |   |
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| QUALITY & SAFETY<br>LEADER | ALLIED HEALTH LEADER    | SERVICE DELIVERY LEADER | SIL<br>LEADER      | DIRECTOR OF<br>CORPORATE SERVICES<br>(Commencing 28 <sup>th</sup> June) |
| Jayne Boyle                | Lucy Bransgrove         | Tina Darlington         | Chantelle Cavanagh | Scott Thompson  |
| WHS Officer                | Practice Manager        | Deputy Leader           | House Coordinator  | Finance   |
| Jo Burnham                 | Rebecca Gray            | Elisa Weir              | Catherine Cooke    | Serena Sanderson  |
|                            | Administration Support  | Service Delivery &      |                    |   |
|                            | Kelli Carza             | Community Access        |                    | Office  |
|                            | Kaitlin Mann            | Coordinator             |                    | Jo Burnham  |
|                            | Clinicians              | Matthew Sparks          |                    | Jenny Cruddas   |
|                            | Amanda Bluck            |                         |                    |   |
|                            | James Bierton           |                         |                    | HR  |
|                            | Stephanie Collyer       |                         |                    | Tilly Blunden   |
|                            | Niree Fitzsimmons       |                         |                    | Jarron Skerratt   |
|                            | Stephen Ardouin         |                         |                    |   |
|                            | Jessica Taranto         |                         |                    |   |
|                            | Georgina Norman         | Lifestyle Support       | Lifestyle Support  | NDIS Funding Coordinato   |
|                            | Allied Health Assistant | Workers                 | Workers            | Jessica Donnelly  |
|                            | Fiona Collingwood       |                         |                    | ,   |
|                            |                         |                         |                    | Project Manager   |
|                            |                         |                         |                    | Jayden Stevens  |
|                            |                         | Scheduling/Rostering    |                    | ,   |
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Simone Ginman (TL)
Heather Reid
Louise McLean
Karen Stanton
Liam Rodgers
Tracee Kepler
Brent Terrett
Maria Mawhinney