

Te Wao Nui Child Health Service and Hospital now fully operational

This year marks the 111th anniversary of the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital for Children, which opened in Wellington on 13 March 1912. So it was fitting that after a small delay, we were able to welcome Laila (7) and other medical patients to the newly opened Piko Ward in Te Wao Nui on 14 March. It's hard to believe that a little over 6 months ago Te Wao Nui Child Health Service and regional hospital, in the Mark Dunajtschik and Dorothy

Spotswood building, was officially opened.

This modern, family friendly new hospital will serve children like Laila and her whānau for many years to come and we are thrilled that the Child Health Service has now been fully integrated under the one roof. The new hospital now reflects the exceptional work of this dedicated team of healthcare professionals. We wish Laila all the very best for her recovery.



“Opening Te Wao Nui at the end of September last year was an amazing celebration of the work from the clinical and operational teams across the hospital, along with architects and construction experts. Many of our staff helped shape its design which truly has tamariki and whānau at its heart. We couldn't have done this without our generous benefactors Mark Dunajtschik and Dorothy Spotswood, and the amazing team at Wellington Hospitals Foundation who have raised funds with the community to help fund and fit out many of the elements that make Te Wao Nui amazing.” ROGER PALAIRET, Te Whatu Ora Capital Coast & Hutt Valley District, Acting Director, Finance, Facilities & Business Services



Thank you to everyone who has played a part in creating Te Wao Nui. We acknowledge and celebrate the support of Mark, Dorothy and you, our incredible community of donors, who have raised \$10 Million to make this dream a stunning reality. The mauri/spirit of this children's hospital truly reflects the extraordinary generosity of our caring community.

The old children's hospital will now be reassigned for use where it is needed most and to enable wider campus projects.



Incredible gift from the Lloyd Morrison Foundation helps critically and chronically sick children

Lloyd Morrison was a passionate and visionary Wellington businessman, and his legacy lives on through the **Lloyd Morrison Foundation**.

Thanks to our charity partner's extraordinary generosity and **\$1.5 Million** grant, thousands of critically and chronically sick children will receive high level specialist care in a hospital building that now better reflects that service.

This gift has enabled us to outfit and equip a number of Te Wao Nui's new clinical, staff and family spaces. It is the single biggest grant that we have received in support of your new multi-million dollar tertiary children's hospital, and it will make a huge difference to families across our region.

We thank the Lloyd Morrison Foundation for their incredible mahi and investment in the health and wellbeing of our tamariki and rangatahi.



Jan Galloway, Trustee & Julie Nevett, Chair, Lloyd Morrison Foundation visit Te Wao Nui

Lions funded Playscape officially opens – 5 March 2023

Te Wao Nui's new outdoor Playscape, combines a play space with a sunny north facing outdoor retreat for those families spending time in hospital. It also offers our Allied Health Teams an alternative therapeutic space, with various equipment and split levels offering mobility, agility and balance challenges for children who need extra support to reach physiotherapy goals or child development milestones.

Lions Clubs have been long time champions of Child Health in Wellington, raising funds to build the original children's playground in

2006, so leapt at the chance to be involved with Te Wao Nui.

Our grateful thanks to the many Lions Clubs from across our region and beyond, who invested their time, talents and prodigious energies into this huge project. This was a unique and special fundraising project for Lions, bringing together multiple clubs working together on the same project. Raising \$500,000 in just 12 months, fundraising encompassed Lions Districts 202D, 202M and 202E. Local club fundraising was also generously supported by the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust as well as the Lions Clubs International Foundation.

We were also thrilled to receive an additional \$20,000 on the day which will be used to purchase much needed new specialist paediatric medical equipment.



Lions District 202M, Cutting ribbon: Joyce McWilliam, David Skjellerup, Helen Williams, Back: Rex Bullard, Jack Hayes, Murray Pringle, Simon Williams

“There is a special relationship between us as Lions and Wellington Hospitals Foundation in caring for those less fortunate than ourselves, whom need health facilities which are second to none.”

SIMON WILLIAMS, Past District Governor, Lions District 202M

You help make the hard parts of our job just a wee bit easier.

Te Wao Nui is a modern and well equipped service, but there will always be a need to keep pace with new and specialist technologies and to provide additional items and resources that support children and their whānau during their health journey.

Whether it's a cuddly toy Tiaki, fun plasters or colouring books, these items are not government funded but are a vital part of the team's toolbox when distracting and diverting children's attention from scary or painful hospital procedures.

With your help we were pleased to develop gorgeous multi-purpose sticker charts for Te Wao Nui's inpatient and community nursing teams.

“Hazel (5), is one of the brave kids we see who just loves the Te Wao Nui stickers and charts. She tells us Tiaki is her favorite but her Dad loves Piko. We are so grateful to have beautiful bright reward charts that we use for so many different things now, from medication reminders, toileting reminders, eczema cream reminders, blood tests and 'scary things' incentives - these are

just brilliant and make some of the hard parts of our job just a wee bit easier. Thank you all so much for the support.”

SELINA RANSFIELD, Paediatric Community Nurse, Te Wao Nui



Congratulations

Honours for Mark Dunajtschik and Dorothy Spotswood

Our heartfelt congratulations to benefactor Sir Mark Dunajtschik who was recognised with a **Knighthood** in the King's New Year's Honours list. Mark also recently added the Ryman Healthcare **Senior New Zealander of the Year Te Mātāpuputu o te Tau** to his growing list of accolades.

Mark and Dorothy were also awarded the **Jemima Gazley Spirit of Wellington Award** at the Dominion Post Wellingtonian of the Year Awards. This award was named in honour of Jemima Gazley who died at the age of 15 in October 2021, just eight months after being diagnosed with diffuse intrinsic pontine glioma (DIPG), a malignant aggressive tumour in the



brain stem. It is fitting then that Mark and Dorothy were recognised for their generosity to our community, and in particular for our new regional children's hospital, as well as their further commitment to the Mark Dunajtschik Mental Health Centre in Lower Hutt.

Welly Award for one of our own

Congratulations also to our Chair Bill Day, who won the Dominion Post Wellingtonian of the Year, in the category of Community Service. In 2005 Bill was asked to establish Wellington Hospitals Foundation as the official charity to support the hospitals operated by the DHB. In the last 17 years Bill has worked with our community to deliver more than \$160 million in essential projects for our hospitals, including Te Wao Nui, our new regional children's hospital, with friends and benefactors Sir Mark Dunajtschik and Dorothy Spotswood.

Bill has had a 40 year association with Life Flight Trust both as a former trustee and chair. Following his meeting with the late Peter Button, Bill initiated Westpac's sponsorship of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter in 1982. Bill is also a former 15 year member of the Wellington Free Ambulance Board, is a dedicated Rotarian as well as a keen outdoorsman, regularly volunteering for the Department of Conservation. This is a much deserved acknowledgment of Bill's long and outstanding commitment to our community.



Rapid Relief Team NZ support sick kids

We were delighted to work with the Rapid Relief Team NZ around their very generous donation of six TOM 2 paediatric beds to Te Wao Nui.

Not only does the TOM 2 offer electric positioning and very high safety parameters, but they are also equipped with a wide range of sophisticated paediatric functions enabling them to be used in Intensive Care, in need.



Pictured: Bill Day, Chair WHF, Lynne Cowley, Charge Nurse Manager, Shona Brunton, Grants & Charity Partnerships Manager WHF, Charlotte Stanczuk, Clinical Nurse Specialist along with Brent Smith, RRT Wellington Team Leader, Ryan Power, RRT Regional Team Leader, and Cameron Prestidge, NZ RRT Director

A message from the Chair



Dear Foundation and hospital supporters,

13 March 2023 was a milestone day for Child Health in our region. New Zealand/Aotearoa's first purpose built children's hospital was opened in Wellington on 13 March 1912, and 111 years to the day, Te Wao Nui is now fully operational after welcoming patients and staff to the hospital's new Piko ward.

I hope you are as proud as we are that our tamariki, rangatahi and hospital staff are now all under one roof, in the Mark Dunajtschik and Dorothy Spotswood Building.

Like the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital for Children which generated enormous public interest and support from the community, the dream of a new regional children's hospital has been realised because of our generous community.

In 2017 Sir Mark Dunajtschik and partner Dorothy Spotswood announced their extraordinary gift of \$55 million to build and donate a new world-class children's hospital to our region. This came at a critical time for our region and without them a new hospital would have probably been many decades away. \$10 million has also been raised by Te Wao Nui's official charity, Wellington Hospitals Foundation, to fit out and equip the new hospital with "all brand new" medical equipment. We could not have done this without the extraordinary support from the wider community. We have had many many incredibly generous donations, from children, their families, caring corporates, businesses, community groups and grant providers.

As Chair of Wellington Hospitals Foundation my Trustees and I extend our sincerest thanks to all our supporters. This has been a magnificent coming together of our regional community. Thank you.

We continue our work with our Te Whatu Ora Capital, Coast & Hutt Valley District colleagues to ensure that patients receive the best possible care in all our hospitals. With your help, we can fund essential medical equipment and provide many care and comfort items that the Government's stretched health dollar cannot fund.

As a friend of our charity, you already know how much your continued support means to us, as well as our staff, patients and their families.

Bill Day, MNZM,JP
Chair, Wellington Hospitals Foundation



Our community makes a difference...

As always it is a privilege to partner with Te Whatu Ora Capital, Coast and Hutt Valley and to represent our donors within the hospitals we serve. Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support of our hospitals.

When someone finds themselves in hospital, this is often a crisis point. Our regular donors play such a vital role in helping our frontline teams provide the best possible hospital care to those affected by illness and injury, because **regular gifts enable us to provide the right support at the right time across all areas of our hospitals.**

With your help we invest in the latest life-saving treatments and equipment, we create comfortable patient-friendly spaces, and we fund many items that help make someone's hospital stay a little more bearable.

There are also a number of significant projects that are about to get underway in our hospitals that the Foundation will be asked to support, and we look forward to sharing details of those with you.

New artwork for Radiology

These are just a handful of the lovely comments received from patients to Wellington Regional Hospital's Radiology Service in response to the new artwork that was generously funded by our donors. The new decals and murals brighten and bring a touch of joy to their



new Biplane Angiography room, as well as the Fluoroscopy room and the main Radiology waiting area. It's wonderful to be able to provide items for our hospitals that make such a positive difference to our patient's well-being and experience of being in hospital.

“To be able to pretend the table is a rocket or spaceship is a great way to explain to children the X-ray table moves and gives them something to focus on.”

“Jet Planes!! My favourite... ooooh and they are like rockets.”

“Wow, Just Wow.”

“Now I feel better about having to be here. Still rather would be elsewhere but makes it more relaxed.”

“Great distractions!”

World Marudão Karate Organisation raises funds for the only Hi-Tech Premature Baby Manikin in the North Island

Late last year **World Marudão Karate Organisation** ran another successful annual Quiz Night which raised funds to enable the purchase of a Hi-Tech Premature Baby Manikin for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), known as 'Premature Anne'.

The first 10 minutes after birth are critical for all babies, especially those born prematurely, and being prepared for emergency scenarios is vital. Premature Anne is an incredible and lifelike piece of simulation medical technology that NICU have been using to regularly train medical staff from Starship, Palmerston North as well as other regions as she is the **only High-Tech Premature Simulator in the North Island.**

The size of a 26 week old premature baby, there have been 20 medical scenarios programmed that make dramatic or subtle changes to her anatomically correct airways, respiration and vascular systems. This allows our medical teams to practice intubation, tube insertions, resuscitation and other high needs medical interventions. She will also be used for simulation training in our hospital's Emergency Department. This donation will save many young lives.



Richard & Sarah from the I&I team with the new 3D printer

3D printer enables medical improvement and innovation

Medical 3D printing is increasingly used in both clinical and research-based healthcare activities. With the generous support of our donors, the Foundation recently provided funding for the Improvement & Innovation team within our hospital's Centre of Clinical Excellence to purchase a 3D Printer, Enclosure and Air Filtration System plus printing materials.

The Improvement & Innovation team supports hospital staff to solve problems in their areas of work, ultimately to improve outcomes for patients and their whānau. These initiatives can require the use of a 3D printer to prototype new devices and to develop innovative solutions. Previously the team have collaborated with a local University when 3D modelling was required, however by having their own, it will enable them to undertake their work onsite.



Pictured: Senpai Clive, Meita Gaeta, Alex Dent (NICU), Maria Seito-Benz, (Neonatologist, NICU), Jo Gaeta, Shodai Tony, Senpai Rocky, Apollo Gaeta

“This will be a game-changer to the way we deliver training, as this simulator manikin breathes, has heart beats, and responds to medical treatments like a real human baby we resuscitate. The ability to provide realistic simulation training regularly for our staff will undoubtedly, as research has demonstrated, improve emergency care that we provide each and every day for vulnerable babies and their longterm outcomes.” MARIA SAITO BENZ, Neonatologist, NICU

Community Fundraisers and donors

We are incredibly fortunate to have many individuals, community groups and other organisations raising funds or donating much needed items to our hospitals. While it's impossible to recognise them all here, follow us on Facebook [@wellingtonhospitalsfoundation](https://www.facebook.com/wellingtonhospitalsfoundation) to find out more.



Christmas kindness for sick kids

It was wonderful to welcome back the Wellington District Police, US Embassy Marines and Buddle Findlay to Te Wao Nui as they kindly delivered toys and Christmas cheer to children spending time in hospital over the Christmas period. With visitor restrictions in place due to COVID-19, we have missed these priceless visits!

It was extra special to have A.Supt Penny Gifford and her son Carter join the police on their visit. The children's hospital has a close association with the Wellington District Police that dates back to when popular policeman Snr.Constable Dean Gifford first organised Christmas visits. Sadly Dean died from a brain tumour ten years ago.

Our thanks also to the many other individual, family and corporate donors who helped bring a little joy to our hospitals over the Christmas period.

Bodhi (5) and his younger brother are frequent flyers to the children's hospital. Bodhi is very creative and wanted kids spending time in hospital over Christmas to have a new toy, so decided to sell gorgeous T-shirts he and his Mum Amy created so that he could buy and donate new Hot Wheels cars to sick kids.



“We appreciate everything the hospital does and how incredibly hard they work, and we are beyond grateful for how they have, and continue to, look after our family!” AMY



Jumbo Tennis – netting funds for Te Wao Nui!

Jumbo Tennis is Wellington's sporting highlight of the year - played with oversized rackets and table tennis rules. Hosted by Rotary Club of Wellington in support of Te Wao Nui this was a fantastic corporate team building event. Our grateful thanks to the Rotary team for making this such a fun fundraising event.



Wellington Girls College 2022 Charity of Choice

The Foundation was delighted to be chosen as the 2022 charity of choice for Wellington Girls' College. The students worked hard organising fun events and fundraising activities throughout the year. Thanks to their huge fundraising efforts we received \$12,250.



The gift of a lifetime

After remembering loved ones in their Wills, many people want to leave something to help make a difference. Leaving a bequest to Wellington Hospitals Foundation is a lasting gift that will ensure our hospitals can continue to provide world-class treatment and care today, tomorrow and forever. Every gift, no matter how big or small, has a significant impact on the lives of our hospitals' patients and their families. Thank you. Email admin@whf.org.nz to find out more.

Thank you to all our volunteers

Our teams of hardworking volunteers continue to show great dedication and commitment to our hospitals. Every day they help people navigate our campuses as hospital guides; they support staff and offer comfort and conversation to patients in the ED, Transit Lounge and Renal units; provide reception services to ICU; entertain patients, staff and visitors as musicians and as part of Canine Friends; create gorgeous hand-crafted items for the NICU, Delivery Suites, our Community Nurses as well as our hospital giftshop; enrich medical training and professional development by role playing in the Simulation Suite, assist physiotherapists in the Therapy Pool, and support the Foundation as street collectors and event volunteers ...and in a myriad of other ways!



Vinny and Vanaja Venkatesh - volunteer guides

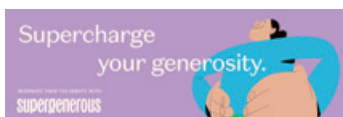
Did you know?

- We have a family of more than 400 volunteers
 - We have two couples who volunteer in our Wellington teams
 - Our youngest volunteer is 19 and our oldest has just turned 90!
 - 15 new volunteers have started in our teams this year
 - Our newest team, starting soon, will be volunteering in Te Wao Nui
- Join us! Apply online at **whf.org.nz**

It is reassuring to know that our hospitals are here for us when we need them most and we are honoured to offer a way for families who may have experienced exceptional care from our hospital teams, to express their gratitude. To support all areas of your hospitals please donate at **whf.org.nz/donate**

Did you know that if you have donated to us in the past 4 years you may be eligible for a donation rebate of 33.33%. For more information or to make a claim, head to IRD's website: **www.ird.govt.nz**

Alternatively, we are pleased to be partnering with Supergenous to supercharge your kind gifts. The Supergenous online platform makes it easy to claim your donation rebates back and they give you the option to regift your rebate back to us as a new donation. See more at **https://www.supergenous.co.nz/superpartners/wellington-hospitals-foundation**



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- Hold a fundraiser to raise money for an area in the hospital of your choice. Visit **whf.org.nz/fundraise** for ideas!
- Become a Charity Partner and collaborate with us in support of your hospitals. Email: **Shona.Brunton@whf.org.nz** to find out more.

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