



# South Western Sydney Local Health District

LEADING CARE, HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES

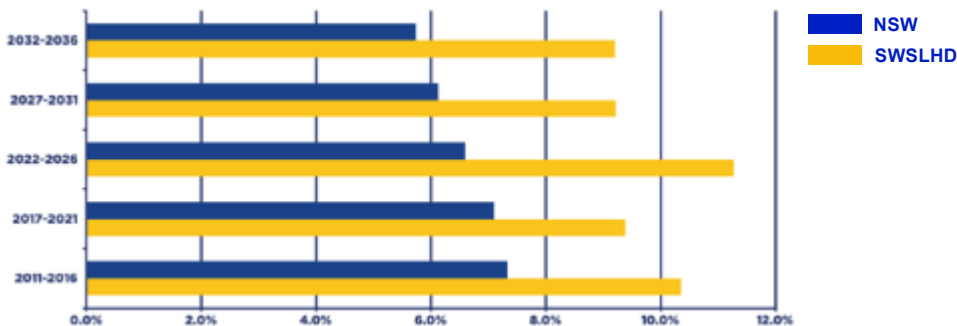
# Living in the south west

South western Sydney is an exciting, interesting and dynamic place to live and work. It is home to metropolitan and rural communities in the seven local government areas (LGAs) of Bankstown-Canterbury, Liverpool, Fairfield, Campbelltown, Camden, Wollondilly and Wingecarribee.

South western Sydney is one of the largest local health districts in NSW with an estimated population of 966,450 residents. South western Sydney communities make up approximately 12 per cent of the NSW population and are culturally diverse, with around 51 per cent of residents speaking a language other than English at home. There is also over 16,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people residing in South western Sydney, with the largest communities in Campbelltown and Liverpool.

The region also has one of the most rapidly growing populations in NSW and is projected to grow to more than 1.2 million people in the next decade.

Rate of Population Growth in South Western Sydney and NSW 2011 – 2036



# At a glance

The population of south western Sydney is as diverse as it is large.

- 16,000 people are Aboriginal
- 5.8% of people live in social housing
- 21% are children aged 0-14
- 1.6% are adults aged over 85
- 7 in every 1,000 women reported a domestic violence assault and 2 in every 1,000 children
- 51% are couple families with children
- 19% are single parent families
- 51% speak a language other than English at home
- 56% of adults are overweight or obese
- 11% of adults have diabetes or high blood sugar
- 28% of children aged 5 – 15 were overweight or obese
- 44.4% were born overseas
- 26% of adults have high blood pressure
- 52% of adults participate in adequate physical activity
- 5% of adults eat enough vegetables

# Your partner in health

## Fast facts:

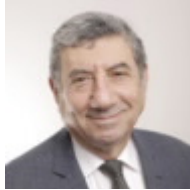
- Growing strong - our District is the fastest growing area in the state.
- Our hospitals are some of the busiest in the state and the country!
- Almost 11,000 babies are born each year – that's 210 bubs every week.
- Keeping busy – around 44,000 people are in theatre each year. That's 120 operations each day.
- Hurt yourself? We have you covered. More than 740 people walk through our emergency department doors every day.
- Our staff see almost 1 million patients for a scheduled appointment each year – that's an amazing 3930 appointments a day.



# Our Board

The South Western Sydney Local Health District Board is chaired by Mr Sam Haddad and the 12 Board members who bring a wealth of experience and local knowledge to the management of the Local Health District.

**Mr Sam Haddad – Chair**



A senior executive with 30 years' experience in planning and infrastructure with the NSW Public Service, and was previously Director General of the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure for almost 10 years.

Former Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Secretary, Financial Services and Asset Management for NSW Health with over 41 years of experience working within the NSW Public Service. He also held senior financial positions across NSW Government in transport agencies and as a Financial Controller of the 2000 Olympic Coordination Authority.



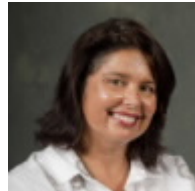
**Mr John Roach**

A chartered accountant, bringing 38 years of financial expertise to the South Western Sydney Local Health District Board.

**Mr John Gordon**



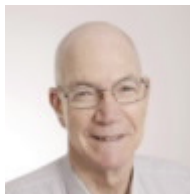
An Indigenous Program Officer of Western Sydney School of Medicine and an active member of Tharawal Aboriginal Medical Services.



**Ms Christine Carriage**

A senior staff specialist at Liverpool Hospital in the South Western Sydney Local Health District, and a conjoint Professor of Aged Care and Rehabilitation in the South Western Sydney Clinical School at the UNSW. He has twice been President of the Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians.

**Professor Hugh Dickson OAM**



Foundation Professor of Surgery and Director of Strategy at the Western Sydney University School of Medicine. He was formerly the Clinical Dean at Liverpool Hospital and is a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons.



**Professor Neil Merrett**

**Dr Matthew Gray**



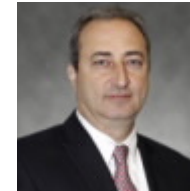
General Practitioner in group practice in Camden and is a GP supervisor/trainer of both GP registrars and medical students. He is currently Chairman of the South Western Sydney Primary Health Network and is a Fellow of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners.

Experienced community representative in South Western Sydney Local Health District and serves as a member of the Community and Consumer Council, the Human Research Ethics Committee and governance committees at Campbelltown Hospital.



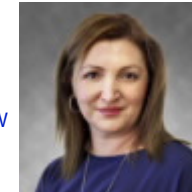
**Mrs Nina Berry**

**Dr David Abi-Hanna**



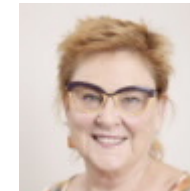
Visiting Medical Officer and Director of Endoscopy at Liverpool Hospital. He is a member of the Gastroenterological society of Australia and is an executive committee member of the Agency for Clinical Innovation.

Senior Lecturer in Mental Health at the School of Medicine and Western Sydney University. She has been working specifically with Iraqi refugees and has collaborative networks with universities and NSW Refugee Health Service.



**Dr Shameran Slewa-Younan**

**Ms Kerrie Murphy**



Official Visitor, under the Mental Health Act 2007, currently undertaking visits into mental health units based within Sydney hospitals and to community mental health centres. She is currently a Director on the board of the UNE Foundation.

Former Managing Director of Australasia for Korn Ferry International. He began his career in the Australian Army, was awarded the Military Cross and is currently the Chairman of the Berrima Co-operative Rural Society and the Bowral Co-op (Trading) Ltd.



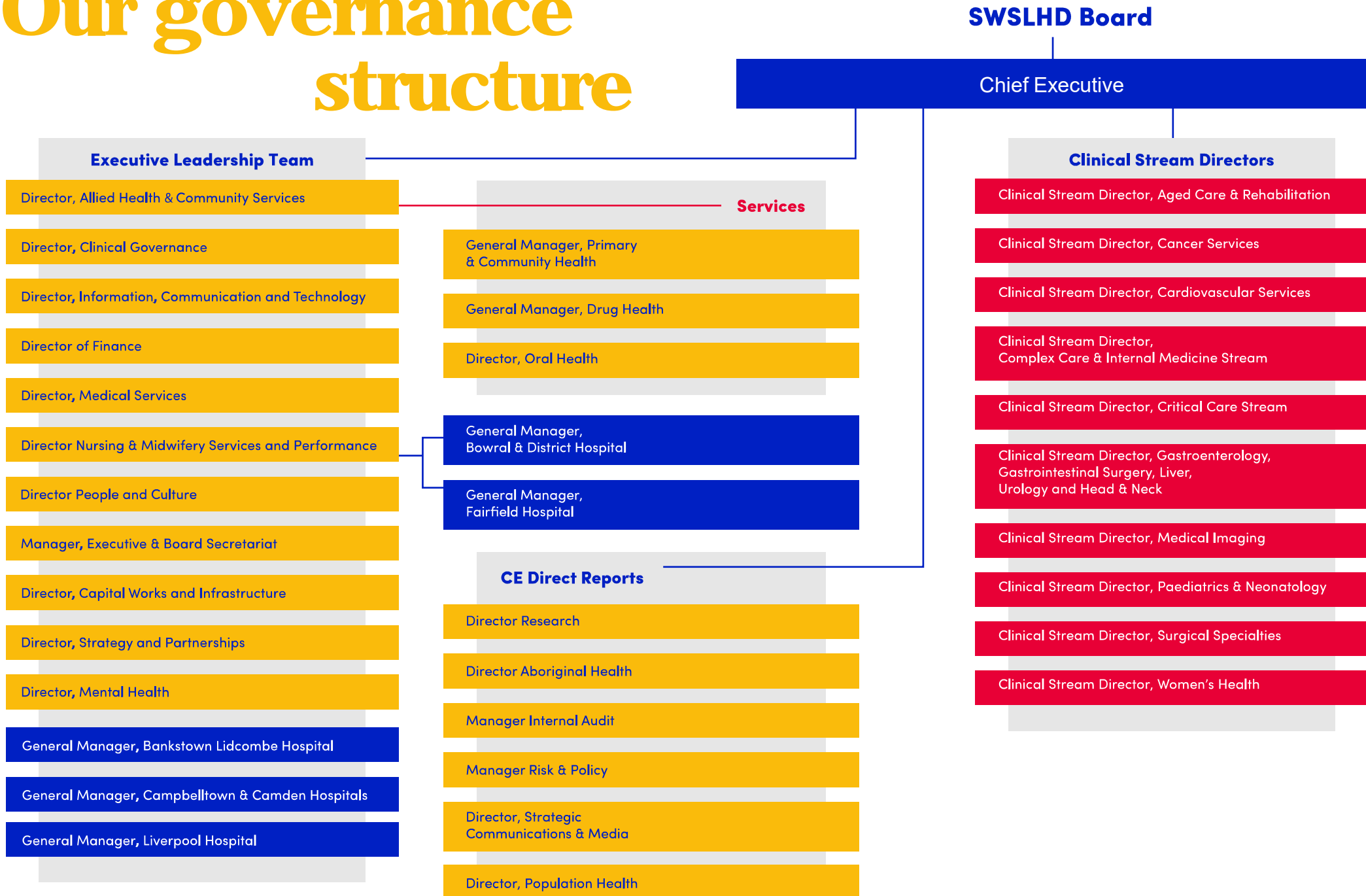
**Mr Gary Reidy**

**Mr Max Bosotti**



Mr Max Bosotti has been the Chief Executive Officer of the ParaQuad NSW (Paraplegic and Quadriplegic Association of NSW) since 2006. He is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Corporate Directors and has held senior positions in companies such as Telstra and Caltex Australia.

# Our governance structure



# Our strategic directions

SWSLHD has identified six strategic directions to guide the development of our organisation and our services over the next four years.



## Safe, Quality Care

Our services will be delivered based on the latest clinical evidence and reflect consumer experiences and needs. We will ensure that our health services are consistently safe and of the highest quality.



## A Healthy Community

Our community will understand how the choices they make impact on their health and will be empowered to make healthy choices. Personal and community safety will be embedded within our programs and services.



## Collaborative Partnerships

Our consumers, patients, carers, other service providers and the broader community will be integral to the planning, design and evaluation of our health services and programs.



## A Healthcare System for the Future

Our healthcare system will provide innovative and responsive care through investment in new facilities, new services and emerging technologies.



## Our People Make a Difference

Our people are our most important asset. Demonstrating a positive workplace culture, which reflects the CORE values, and where compassionate care is at the forefront, is fundamental to being a leader in health care and an employer of choice.



## A Leader in Research and Teaching

Our reputation in research and teaching will enable us to attract leading academics and researchers and will help foster a culture of continuous learning and reflection for students and staff across all services and disciplines.

The District is among the most rapidly growing populations in NSW, covering both rural and suburban communities.

The District has six acute hospitals including:

**Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital**

**Camden and Campbelltown Hospital**

**Bowral & District Hospital**

**Liverpool Hospital**

**Fairfield Hospital**

This District also operates 14 major community centres, providing prevention, early intervention and community-based treatment, palliative care and rehabilitation services.

Oral health, drug health and mental health services are also provided across the District, and is home to a number of state-wide services including the Office of Preventative Health and NSW Refugee Health Service.

