



Melissa Pickering, RN

Current role

**Central Coast Local Health District, Director of Nursing,
Community Chronic and Complex Care** July 2021 –current

- Provision of professional leadership for nursing staff working across the community setting
- Leading the strategy that provides a skilled and flexible workforce to deliver safe, quality and compassionate care.
- Support planning, development and evaluation of nursing services, practices, and standards.
- Support effective and efficient patient flow strategies.
- Operational responsibility for nursing staff within the Central Coast Health at Home program, this includes the Hospital in the Home service, Virtual Care and Triage and Urgent Care Service.
- Implementation and monitoring of effective models of care to support the care needs of the community.
- Establishment and ongoing evaluation of Quality and Safety systems that promote excellence in nursing practice.

Recent experience

**Central Coast Local Health District, A/District Director,
Nursing and Midwifery** October 2022 –May 2023
August 2023 –February 2024

**Central Coast Local Health District, A/Director,
Community Chronic and Complex Care** May 2023 – June 2023

**Central Coast Local Health District, Operational Nurse
Manager –Community Health Nursing** 2013 – July 2021

Education and qualifications

College of Nursing, Nurse Executive Leadership Program 2023

**University of New England –two modules of the Advanced
Diploma of Management** 2013

**Graduate Certificate in Aged Care (Acute Care), University
of Newcastle** 2003

Bachelor of Nursing, Australian Catholic University 1998

Board Appointments

BlueWave Living, Board Director	Current
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Professional Development Activities

Nurseforce Summit, Sydney	2024
Value Based Healthcare Forum	2019
Healthcare Improvement Forum	2019
Hospital in the Home Forum	2019
Global Centre for Nursing Executives Roundtable	2017
Patient Centred Medical Home Symposium	2016
Hospital in the Home Health Roundtable including innovation presentation.	2015
Clinical Excellence Commission, Clinical Leadership Program Executive	2014