

Sarah Whitney, BA; BAppSc; Dip; Grad Cert

Current role

Sydney Local Health District, District Director of Allied Health

- May 2015 current
- Professional leadership and governance for all Allied Health Professionals employed in Sydney Local Health District
- Responsible for overall clinical governance across Allied Health services in Sydney Local Health District
- Member of the Sydney Local Health District Executive team reporting to the Chief Executive on Allied health governance, workforce, policy, service delivery
- Allied Health representative on Sydney Local Health District peak level committees and NSW Ministry of Health committees
- Chair of Sydney Local Health District Allied Health Professionals Grading / Credentialing committee
- Lead strategic and operational planning of Allied Health services in Sydney LHD
- Development of policies and procedures related to Allied Health clinical practice
- Provide advice to services on Allied Health workforce planning to ensure equitable service delivery

Sydney Local Health District, Chief Allied Health Information Officer

September 2018 – current

- Clinical and professional leadership for Allied health in digital health and health informatics
- Lead the development and implementation of an Allied health digital health strategy which supports Allied health clinical practice, decision making and use of clinical information systems
- Provide governance for clinical information systems change requests which impact on Allied health clinical practice and service delivery
- Lead the implementation of Allied health data collection and reporting of clinical and non clinical activity

Recent experience

Sydney Local Health District, Project Manager for Renal Services Clinical redesign

July 2015 to July 2016

Sydney Local Health District, Director Speech Pathology

October 2012 to September 2018

Education and qualifications

University of Tasmania, Graduate Certificate (Clinical Redesign)

2021

Aurora College (via Agency of Clinical Innovation), Diploma of Project Management 2016

University of Sydney, Bachelor of Applied Science

1996

(Speech Pathology)

1993

Macquarie University, Bachelor of Arts (Psychology and

Linguistics)

Professional Representation

Co-Chair of the NSW Allied health Digital Health Data
Analytics and Governance Sub committee

June 2024 to current

Adjunct Senior Lecturer for the Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Sydney

Jan 2018 to Jan 2021

NSW Allied health representative on the National Allied Health Digital Information Network (network disbanded)

May 2018 to 2021

Co-Chair of NSW Health Directors of Allied health executive committee

Aug 2019 to Aug 2020

Chair of the NSW Allied health Data Governance and Analytics sub committee

2016 to 2019