



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Thank You - National Volunteer Week**

21 May 2018

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Across Australia over 5 million people are engaged in volunteering activities and programs. This week National Volunteer Week, which is held annually, will celebrate the wonderful work these volunteers provide.

Sunraysia Community Health Services is organising an afternoon tea to celebrate the contribution of our volunteers. Specifically SCHS is celebrating the work our volunteers provide to our Palliative Care clients and as members on our committees.

Simone Heald, CEO of SCHS said, "We are so very grateful and proud of the work our volunteers provide to our Palliative Care service. They don't realise the impact they have, not just on the patient, but the family as a whole; and for that, we thank them."

Ms Heald also praised the work of our Consumer Advisory Committee members who regularly volunteer their time for meetings and at our Easter Appeal and other fundraising events. "They could be spending time with loved ones", she said, "but their passion for SCHS sees them raising funds when required, its marvellous!"

To celebrate our volunteers and the work they do, SCHS will be thanking them with an afternoon tea to be held at 2:30pm on Tuesday 22 May.

Currently SCHS is also looking to expand the range of ways volunteers are engaged across our services. So if you would like to become involved in our volunteer program, please contact Volkan Calis on 5022 5444 to register your interest.

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Photo Opportunity Available At The Afternoon Tea, 2:30pm, Tuesday 22 May.