

Fremantle Hospital and Health Service



40 year anniversary celebration for kidney transplant patient

Staff in our Renal Unit have celebrated a patient's 40th anniversary since having a kidney transplant.

The milestone was achieved by Mrs Glenis Lucanas.

At a special ceremony in the Renal Unit, everybody was wide-eyed when Glenis was given a cooked chicken by her former physician as part of the celebration.

Dr Ted Haywood had remembered his patient having cravings for chicken after her kidney transplant operation 40 years ago.

Mrs Lucanus laughed as she recalled "hiding from everyone so that I could eat chicken in peace, all by myself."

The celebrations brought together Kidney Health Australia, former physicians Drs Ted Haywood and Peter Hurst, Fremantle Hospital's Dr Helen Rhodes and members of Mrs Lucanus's family.

Dr Haywood believes his former patient is the longest living transplant recipient in WA.

"I'm very thankful for my kidney and I hope that there is encouragement for more people to sign up and become organ donors," Mrs Lucanus said.

Nina Graham, Dr Ted Haywood, Dr Helen Rhodes, Mrs Glenis Lucanas, Evelyn Ong, Dr Peter Hurst and Wayne Green.



Tracey Baker, Glenis Lucanus and Janet MacMillan.



Dr Peter Hurst, Glenis Lucanus and Dr Ted Haywood.



Glenis has been coming to Fremantle Hospitals renal unit every three months for the past 10 years and is a special part of the Renal Unit family.

Left: Patient Mrs Glenis Lucanas.

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