

2025 Emerging Researchers





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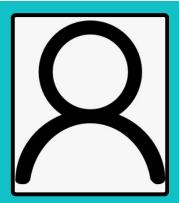
Barwon Health

Improve outcomes and quality of life for people living with dementia and their carers receiving primary care services



Julia BARTON
Grampians Health

Investigate the usability and impact on activity levels of an adapted Early Mobility Tool in a regional ICU



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Assess current satisfaction levels and service needs related to food provision in an early parenting centre



Marissa BISCAN
Barwon Health

Improve outcomes and quality of life for people living with dementia and their carers receiving primary care services



Katie COCHRANE

Grampians Health

Explore staff and service-users perceptions of an ED embedded social worker and their impact on care experiences and outcomes



Lizzie CULLEN

Barwon Health

Determine wait times for abdominal hernia surgery, impact on quality of life and outpatient use, and summarise evidence for nutritional management



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Barwon Health

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Alison FITZGERALD

East Grampians Health Service

Test and evaluate an implementation tool through facilitation of a research student placement and strengthen rural research capacity and culture



Kidman NG
Grampians Health

Review the education and selfmanagement component in the pulmonary rehab program and identify particpant needs



Sharon HOMBERG

Western District Health Service

Gain insight into the lived experience of urinary incontinence



Romy RENZOW

Barwon Health

Implement and evaluate a trauma, shame and neuro-aware training program for staff and teams caring for perinatal and paediatric families



Sophie JAHNECKE

Barwon Health

Establish and evaluate an advanced scope for pharmacy technicians undertaking best possible medication histories under pharmacist supervision



Lee RHYNE

South West Healthcare

To explore nurse educators' engagement with the Learning Management System



Cathy MAHONEY

Colac Area Health

Examine the use of virtual reality to provide simulated travel experiences for palliative care clients and their carers



Lucinda STAR

Western District Health Service Compare effectiveness of physical versus electronic modes of communicating health, safety and wellbeing information to farmers



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Thu TRAN
Barwon Health

Review the cost effectiveness of prostate SABR compared with conventional treatments and recommend an accessible funding model



Justine WATTS

Barwon Health

Identify the prevalence and impact of eatingrelated distress among community palliative care patients and their families, and assess unmet service needs



Nonie van KORVEN
Barwon Health

Implement the CLD Nutrition Care
Pathway and evaluate its effectiveness
in improving patient care



Ali WEEDON
Colac Area Health

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