

South Metropolitan Health Service

Encouraging our community to get screened this **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

Oct 22 Did you know a staggering one in seven women will have breast 21 cancer within their lifetime? This sobering fact means it is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women and the second leading cause of cancer death in Australian women.



The Fiona Stanley Hospital (FSH) Breast Cancer team have made FSH the first public hospital in WA to use a revolutionary technology to pinpoint the location of tissue to be removed during breast cancer surgery called magseeds.

Recently, Channel 7 came to the hospital to learn about the magseed trial and FSH's commitment to make breast cancer surgery as painless and stress-free as possible for our patients.

Head of the FSFHG Breast Service and Breast Surgeon Dr Saud Hamza, Breast Radiologist Dr Melanie Robert, Clinical Nurse Consultant Clare Bradshaw and patient Anne Lindorff all spoke to Channel 7, to promote their positive experience with the magseed trial and remind our community to get their breasts checked.

Watch the report (external link) which ran on Channel 7 news and Sunrise throughout Australia.

Clare also spoke on RTRFM on WA Health's Fitter, Happier program to appeal to a younger demographic and encourage them to be body aware. Listen to the radio program (external link).

Thank you Saud, Melanie and Clare for your massive contributions to the patient outcomes of our SMHS community!

If you are involved in or know of any recently published or ongoing research which you think would be interesting for our community, please let us know by emailing smhs.media@health.wa.gov.au.

And remember this October, breast cancer awareness month, please have a breast check-up to stay healthy.

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