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| **Continuing to support you to provide high quality care in 2021.**Support and collaboration across our region has never been more important, so we want to share some initiatives and training opportunities we will be delivering next year: |

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| **Support through RACF Collaboratives**In partnership with Metro North Hospital and Health Service, we will continue to facilitate the Caboolture RACF Collaborative whilst establishing new groups within the Redcliffe, TPCH and RBWH catchments. This will provide a unique opportunity to enhance partnerships between acute, primary care and residential aged care providers to improve the resident care journey across settings.  Our RACF collaboratives will offer opportunities for working together to: * Build a network of like-minded RACF colleagues
* Improve the resident care journey across settings
* Support the implementation of local activities
* Share information, learnings, knowledge and resources.

To express your interest in joining a local collaborative, please email **agedcareprojects@brisbanenorthphn.org.au**.  |

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| **Supporting dementia care**Delivered by Dementia Training Australia and sponsored by Brisbane North PHN, a series of interactive workshops will be available for all staff working within residential and community aged care.  The workshops are designed to enhance knowledge of dementia and positively support people living with dementia.These workshops will cover the following topics:   * A consumer’s perspective of dementia
* How to identify support needs in partnership with client and carer
* How to develop a dementia support plan that focuses on enabling a person living with dementia.

Workshops will commence in February. To register your interest, please email **dta@qut.edu.au**. |

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| **Medication training offered by NPS MedicineWise**NPS MedicineWise is offering a new educational program developed to support nurses and pharmacists who work within residential aged care facilities to learn more about person-centred care approaches and reconsider the role of psychotropic medicines. To find out more and register your interest visit the [**NPS MedicineWise website**](https://protect-au.mimecast.com/s/s0T9CD1vQxiwE2RtvXQX9?domain=icampaign.brightlabs.com.au). Please note there are limited spaces available. |

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| **Supporting chronic wound care**Delivered by Wound Innovations and sponsored by Brisbane North PHN, this education and support program is offered at no cost and available for all staff working within residential and community aged care. The program is designed to improve the knowledge, skills and support of nurses in delivering evidence based wound care.  This program will include: * Participation in an interactive education workshop
* Access to a suite of online wound management education modules
* Access to onsite clinical support and mentoring
* Onsite support includes wound assessment, cleansing and dressing as well as the development of an individualised wound management plan.

Workshops will commence in February. To register your interest please email **reception@woundinnovations.com.au**. |

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| **Supporting end of life care**Delivered by Change Futures and sponsored by Brisbane North PHN, this training and support program is offered at no cost and available to nurses and personal carers working in aged care facilities. The program aims to improve the knowledge, skills and confidence of staff in meeting the social and emotional needs of residents approaching end of life. The program is delivered on site by mental health professionals and is designed to be practical, engaging and relevant to those working with residents living in aged care facilities. This program will include the following topics: * A palliative approach to care
* End of life stage
* Communication and validation
* Grief in aged care
* Self-care for staff working in aged care.

To register to participate in the training and support program, please email **intake@changefutures.org.au**.  |

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