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Wanted - Recruits for Braeside Hospital's Consumer Community Participation Group

A desire to say thank-you and give something in return prompted 74-year-old Sadleir resident Clem Baldwin to volunteer his time for two years as a community representative on the Braeside Hospital Consumer Community Participation Group.

He said his wife Merle, who has suffered from depression for near 40 year, had a real turnaround in her condition after having assessment and treatment at Braeside Hospital.

“Merle was a patient at Braeside Hospital for nearly four months. I still cannot get over how much better she is and how much better life has been for us both.”

Clem has now decided its time to take it easier and pass on the role to someone else in the local community. “I feel I’ve made a worthwhile contribution, but it’s time now for me to move on.”

The Braeside Hospital Consumer Community Participation Group provides the opportunity for community members to participate with the Braeside healthcare teams to improve services to the community. Regular meetings take place at the hospital and out-of-pocket expenses are reimbursed. Appointments are usually for 12 months.

If you would like to contribute to Braeside Hospital's Consumer Community Participation Group, information sessions about the Consumer Community Participation Group are being held in the afternoon of 16 July or the evening of 22 July. Simply call Braeside Hospital Reception on 9616 8600 for more information.

If you are unable to attend these information sessions but are interested in being involved, information packs are available.

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