

Do you see patients who have survived an ICU stay?

Do you have an interest in understanding and improving their recovery from hospital to home?

## We need your help and would like to hear from you!

- A team of researchers at Western Health are looking for GPs with an interest in caring for survivors of intensive care to take part in a research project.
- We want to better understand the intensive care recovery experience from the perspective of survivors and the health professionals who care for them, from hospital to home.
- We think peer support is a promising intervention to improve the recovery experience by connecting survivors to provide emotional, social and pragmatic support to each other.
- We would like to design this peer support group using a process called 'co-design'. The
  design process occurs between and with patients, families and health professionals
  (rather than for them).

## To do this, we need your valuable help.

**Time commitment is flexible!** Anywhere from a conversation over the phone, completion of a short survey/questionnaire or involvement in a series of in-person co-design meetings at Sunshine hospital (remuneration for your time can be provided). We are flexible as your experience and opinions are important to us! Our first in-person meeting kicks off on June 21st – we'd love you to be there!

**How to get involved**: Please contact Clare Holdsworth on Ph 0466 417 689 or email clare.holdsworth@wh.org.au

**Timeframe:** Please get in touch anytime during June/July if you are interested in being involved in this research.