

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## icare ANNOUNCES 2018 INSURANCE FOR NSW AWARD FINALISTS

The finalists for the icare 2018 Insurance for NSW Conference and Awards have been announced. These awards recognise standout performers in the NSW Government risk management and work, health and safety area who are delivering positive outcomes for the people, businesses and agencies of NSW.

"Congratulations to all of the finalists selected this year. Our finalists have shown excellence in innovation and leadership in risk management and prevention." said Britt Coombe, icare's General Manager, Risk Advisory and Client Engagement.

"The NSW Public Sector employs over 300,000 NSW workers, making it one of the State's largest combined employers. Insurance for NSW exists to protect the NSW public sector and it's pleasing to see that our agencies share this goal and are constantly striving for excellence in risk management and prevention better protect the community and assets."

Ms Coombe said the Insurance for NSW Conference and Awards are an excellent opportunity for NSW government agencies to share information and learn from each other, so everyone can benefit.

"One of our award winners from last year was the <u>Department of Industry</u>, who tackled the management of employee tail claims by building a responsive claims management framework, based on good data and open communication. In the four years since the injury management model was implemented, the Department reduced lifetime injury frequency rates from 14 to 2.5 and received over \$8 m in premium refunds—as well as premium reductions.

"By providing a platform for NSW government agencies to share experiences, we can learn from the outstanding work of our peers and lift risk management and workplace safety outcomes across the board," said Ms Coombe.

Winners of the awards will be announced on 12 September 2018 at the Sydney International Convention Centre.

Registrations for the icare Insurance for NSW Conference and Awards are now open. To register for, or learn more about the Conference, visit the IfNSW Conference and Awards page.

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Award Category	Finalists
Risk Frameworks, Systems and Processes	STRETCH - Department of Education with Allianz Australia Ltd Harm Reduction Strategies in NSW Prisons - Justice Health & Forensic Mental Health Network Risk Management Framework and Policy - Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences Video Case Conference Throughout Regional NSW - Northern NSW Local Health District with QBE Insurance Progressive Goal Attainment Program - NSW Health with EML Psychological Claims Management Framework - NSW Police Force with EML Palliative Care Home Support (PEACH) Program - South Western Sydney Local Health District
General Claims Risk Innovation	Supporting You - Department of Education The Impact of Exercise Rehabilitation Therapy on Mental Health - NSW Ambulance with QBE Insurance Motivational Interactions - NSW Health with EML Improving motor vehicle repair systems and processes - South Western Sydney Local Health District
Risk Reporting and Intelligence	District Injury Management Report - North Sydney Local Health District with QBE Insurance SPC Traffic Lights: Stop on Green and Go on Red - Northern Sydney Local Health District Non-government organisation framework - South Western Sydney Local Health District
Steve Hunt Award (Excellence in Prevention)	Sustaining Resilience at Work StRaW - Corrective Services with QBE Insurance Achieving risk prevention with 65,000 inspections for loose-fill asbestos - Department of Finance, Services and Innovation High risk drug examinations: Development and implementation of a new examination process - Forensic & Analytical Science Service, NSW Health Pathology Electric wheelchairs as patient transport - Hornsby Hospital, Northern Sydney LHD Psychological Partnership Journey - Hunter New England Local Health District with QBE Insurance The Managers role in the proactive risk management of workplace issues - NSW Health BPTOK, an innovative approach to physician burnout and suicide epidemic - Sydney Local Health District A Healthier You - Sydney Water with Allianz Australia Ltd
Risk Leadership	Linda Campbell - South Western Sydney Local Health District Kyleah Hayes - Department of Industry Michael Ingram - NSW Police Force Michele Murphy - NSW Health Terry Natsia - Sydney Water Kim Paull - Western Sydney Local Health District Marcus Turner - Department of Planning & Environment Jorida Zeneli - NSW Treasury