



## **Alice Kang OAM**

Alice is a founding member of the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway board.

Alice retired from the Concord Repatriation General Hospital (CRGH) in 2020 after 46 years of service, having held several leadership roles over this period, the latest as Director of Marketing and Community/Veteran Relations.

Her time at CRGH saw her rise from being a Charge Nurse of the Emergency Department to Assistant Nursing Director of the Critical Care Area.

Alice also had a dual role as the state's first Veteran Liaison Officer at CRGH, where she oversaw all matters pertaining to care of veterans, setting a blueprint for other hospitals around the state who have veterans in their care.

She oversaw the construction of the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway, its Memorial Centrepiece and 22 stations, including the plaque program in the Memorial Rose Garden which now houses over 500 individual plaques. In 1998, Alice set up the Friends of Kokoda program and spearheaded the school's visitation program to the Walkway, engaging veterans as guides, which allowed them to share their valuable stories.

In her role as Director of Marketing, Alice was instrumental in helping the hospital engage with the broader community when the hospital transitioned from Federal to State ownership. She set up the Public Health Forum series at the hospital, including the major annual fundraising events Opera Night at Rivendell and the Rivendell Flower Show. These events became major cultural highlights in the City of Canada Bay and beyond, raising significant funds for the hospital.

In acknowledgment of her work at the CRGH, the Memorial and on behalf of veterans, Alice was made Drummoyne Woman of the Year in 2015, and City of Canada Bay's 2018 Citizen of the Year.

She was honoured with a Medal in the Order of Australia (OAM) in 2021.