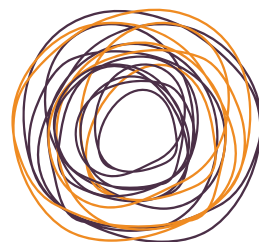


Annual Report 2024



Fiona Wood
Foundation

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“By continually growing the body of knowledge in the field, our work will save lives and make a significant difference to the recovery of people who have sustained burn injuries, both locally and around the world.”

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Acknowledgement of Country

Fiona Wood Foundation acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation as the Traditional Owners of the land on which we work. We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

Founder's Message

As I reflect on the past year at the Fiona Wood Foundation, I am filled with a deep sense of pride and gratitude for the strides we have made together in the pursuit of our vision: to deliver scarless healing in both mind and body to those who suffer from burn injuries. This shared vision has guided every aspect of our work, from the groundbreaking research we facilitate to our education and prevention initiatives.

This year, our team has continued to bring science to the bedside, translating our research findings into clinical care practices. I feel immensely privileged to lead a team committed not only to advancing the frontiers of burns research but also to actively engaging in the exchange of knowledge within the global scientific community. Mentoring early-career researchers and championing our brightest minds alongside our senior research team is a responsibility I value greatly. It is these collective efforts that ensure medical innovation and groundbreaking research continue to thrive in our country.

When I embarked on my journey in burn research, I was driven by the critical importance of understanding burn patients' lived experiences to inform and enrich our research endeavours. This year, I felt a profound sense of accomplishment as my vision has come to fruition. It fills me with immense pride to have provided children, their caregivers, and adults with opportunities to

engage in our research studies, allowing us to incorporate their perspectives and lived experiences into our work. I also wish to acknowledge and thank the invaluable contributions of those who participated as 'control groups', uninjured cohorts, enabling us to compare and comprehensively validate our findings. Our patient and community participation in our research is fundamental in our research.

Our achievements are only possible through the contributions we receive from our valued community and partners, and my heartfelt thanks go to all those who continue to support our mission.

Looking ahead, I am inspired by the tireless efforts of our research and clinical teams and the ongoing support of our community. Together, we can continue to make a difference in the lives of burn patients and their families. Thank you.

Professor Fiona Wood AO



Chair's Message



In my inaugural year as Chairman of the Fiona Wood Foundation, I am reminded of the very personal journey that has led me to this moment. Nearly two decades ago in Bali, my life was irrevocably changed. The 2002 bombings not only tested my will to live,

but also introduced me to an extraordinary community dedicated to healing and hope. My survival and recovery are a result of the innovative 'spray on skin' technology and the exceptional care of Professor Fiona Wood and her team. My experiences have instilled in me a firm commitment to support the work of the Fiona Wood Foundation as a global leader in burns research and patient care.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would firstly like to congratulate Fiona on her award of the prestigious Officer of the Order of Australia (AO). This prestigious award celebrates her remarkable contribution and service as one of Australia's most innovative and respected surgeons and researchers. Fiona's amazing energy, determination, and commitment to research to drive positive change and excellence in clinical care for burn patients is outstanding and, on many levels, I am personally very proud to Chair the Foundation.

I would also like to express my deepest gratitude to our departing Chairman, Tony Kiernan, whose visionary guidance has profoundly shaped the Fiona Wood Foundation. Appointed Chairman in 2014, Tony brought with him extraordinary leadership and governance experience. Under his stewardship and the leadership of Professor Fiona Wood and her team, the Foundation has thrived.

Looking forward, our Board of Directors remain focussed on strategy to support the financial sustainability of the Foundation to ensure we continue to advance our strategic goals into the future. We are committed to improving clinical care and ensuring that every individual we treat can lead a life that is not defined by their injuries. With your continued support, we can support the translation of research into clinical outcomes, expand the reach of our life-changing technologies and therapies and be the global leader in burn care, research and education.

Our model of care, not only encompasses the medical treatments, it is about restoring confidence, dignity, and the hope of scarless healing – in mind and body. Together, we are not just healing burns; we are healing lives.

David Fyfe
Chair

Executive Director's Message



It is with great pride and gratitude that I present to you our annual report for this year, highlighting many significant achievements.

During 2023, the Foundation Board conducted a comprehensive strategic review to align our goals with the

evolving needs of the patients and communities we serve. This review consolidated our focus into four key strategic pillars: World Leading Research, Impactful Education, Advancing Care, and Financial Sustainability. These pillars form the foundation for our future growth and impact, which are outlined later in our report, marking an exciting phase for the Foundation.

I hope you enjoy reading the many highlights and achievements in our report, which are a testament to the

collective efforts of our dedicated team, generous donors, and invaluable partners. Together, we are advancing burn care and improving the lives of those we serve.

This year also marked my 10th anniversary with the Foundation, and it remains my passion and privilege to be part of this amazing 'burn family.' Fiona, our patients, and our team continue to inspire me, and I am proud to lead the Foundation into this next phase, with Dave as Chair and our strengthened focus on our strategic pillars. Looking ahead, we remain determined in our mission and resolute in our vision for a future where no one suffers from the devastating effects of burns.

Thank you, to our community who care and continue to give, in the many ways that you do, your unwavering support and belief in the Fiona Wood Foundation, is truly remarkable.

Diane Lim
Executive Director, Fundraising & Relationships Manager

About Us



Our logo is representative of the 'ripple effect' a burn has on a patient and the wider community. For the Foundation, the intertwined lines symbolise our vision of working together to make a difference through improving the outcomes and quality of

life for those affected by burn injury.

We recognise that every intervention from the point of injury, influences the scars in both mind and body.

Led by plastic and reconstructive surgeon and burns specialist Professor Fiona Wood, our not-for-profit Foundation facilitates the translation of knowledge from ground-breaking scientific and clinical research into pioneering new treatments for healing burns and minimising scarring.

Our impact is the translation of research spanning the patient journey which changes lives.

With the support of our partners and very generous community, we bring together the best scientists, researchers and clinicians to meet our objectives to:

- improve understanding of burn injury and the interactions with the skin and all body systems
- develop new technologies and treatment to improve clinical care
- improve mental health outcomes
- educate the community.

We bring world leading science to the bedside.

Our Vision

To be at the forefront of global research and discovery in burns and scarring. By continually growing the body of knowledge, our work will save lives and make a significant difference to the recovery of people who have sustained burn injuries both locally and around the world.

Our Purpose

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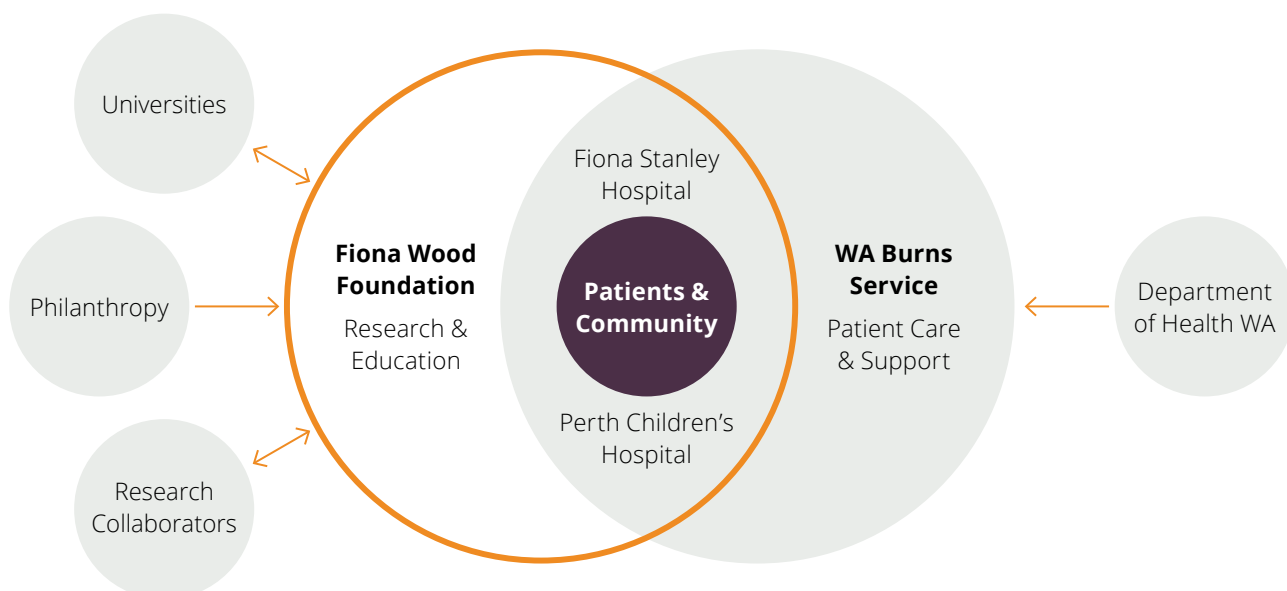


Our People



Our Structure

The Foundation is the intersection between the community, universities and the health system. We facilitate the translation of burns research into burns treatment – from bench to bedside. By continuing to expand the body of knowledge on burns, we will strive to save lives and improve the quality-of-life outcomes of people who sustain burn injuries now and in the future.



2023 Impact Highlights

809 Donors

47 Plungers in the 2023 Central Park Plunge raised **\$82,413**.



79%

of income spent on burn research

Research Highlights

- **22 researchers** including PhD and Honours students involved in 26 burn research projects.
 - 3 Honours students
 - 6 PhD students
 - 3 PhD students conferred or submitted a thesis
- **13 invited research presentations** by the team.
- Amira Allahham | PhD Student, recipient of **Best Video Presentation Award** European Burn Association 20th EBA Congress, Presentation Title: *"Burn Injuries and the Brain."*
- Christopher J. Lewis, PhD, FRCS (Plast) | Fellow, recipient of **Best Video Presentation Award**, ANZBA - Annual Scientific Meeting 2023, Presentation Title: *"Carbon Dioxide Laser Treatment of Burn-Related Scarring: Findings from the ELIPSE (Early Laser Intervention Promotes Scar Evolution) Prospective Randomized Controlled Trial."*



PhD Theses Completed

- *"Investigating Changes to Immune Profile and Platelet Function After Non-Severe Burn Injury"*, Blair Johnson.
- *"The Effect of Burn Injuries on the Brain"* Amira Allahham.



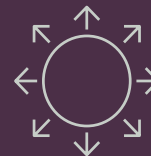
Burn Service of WA Patient Statistics

- **Inpatients:** 1,121 patients with an average 3.47-day median length hospital stay.
- **Outpatients:** 28,044 appointments from 13,285 patients with an average of 4.7 appointments per person.



Community Outreach

- **960** WA primary schools with children from Kindergarten to Year 2 mailed a Ben and Bella Storybook and associated teacher guide. In partnership with Chevron Australia, we have directly mailed the Ben and Bella Burn-safe Superheroes to all metropolitan and regional primary schools and education services who educate children from Kindergarten to Year 2. These are skills children will have for life.
- **22,404** *Under Her Skin* books sold, with all proceeds going to the Foundation's burn research and education programs and was nominated for the Walkley Award.
- **Playgroup WA 50th Birthday Funday** event providing an opportunity to increase burn education in our community.



Publications and Research Projects

- **29 Manuscripts** published in peer-reviewed scientific journals.
- **26 research projects** led by or in partnership with the Fiona Wood Foundation.
- **25+ collaborative research partners.**



Clinical Excellence Highlights

- **Burn Injury Biobanks**
 - Fiona Stanley Hospital – **181** participants
 - Perth Children's Hospital – **340** participants
- **186** surgical procedures with ReCell.



Medical Imaging Communication Exchange (MICE) and eConsent

- FWF digital innovation in collaboration with CSIRO.
- **387** users (in Burns, emergency department, plastics, respiratory, dermatology, stoma, wound clinics, rehabilitation in the home and hospital in the home).
- MICE and eConsent has expanded to regional WA.
- Over **17,200** records processed.
- **30,000** MICE captured photographs in medical records.

Employment

10.4 full time equivalent (FTE) employed as researchers, research assistants, and data innovation talent.



Governance

Board of Directors

**Winthrop Professor Fiona Wood FRACS AO**

Director of the Burns Service of Western Australia

Fiona has been a burns surgeon and researcher for the past 30 years and is Director of the Burns Service of Western Australia (BSWA). She is a Consultant Plastic Surgeon at Fiona Stanley Hospital and Perth Children's Hospital, co-founder of the first skin cell laboratory in WA, Professor in the School of Surgery at The University of Western Australia, and co-founder of the Fiona Wood Foundation.

**David Fyfe**

Chief Executive Officer at Synergy

David was appointed Chairman of the Foundation in 2023. David has an Honours Degree in Engineering and post graduate qualifications in business. He is a Graduate of the Institute of Company Directors and a Member of the Institute of Engineers Australia. David is the CEO of Synergy and holds a position on the board of Ability WA. He is a survivor of the 2002 Bali bombings which claimed the lives of over 200 people including 88 Australians. He was severely injured and received significant burns. David was treated by the staff at Royal Perth hospital under the leadership of Fiona Wood. He is passionate about the research the Foundation undertakes. He is a recipient of the "spray on skin" technology the Foundation developed and wants to assist the Foundation in furthering research to ensure a better quality of life for burns patients. David regularly presents as a keynote/motivational speaker at events throughout Western Australia. David was appointed to the Board in 2013.

**Geraldine Erridge**

Director at David M Clarke Associates

Geraldine is a Director at David M Clarke & Associates. She has a Bachelor of Commerce, Accounting Major and has been a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants since 1999. She has extensive experience in general taxation advice and self-managed superannuation funds as well as providing a number of services to high wealth individuals. Geraldine was appointed to the Fiona Wood Foundation Board in January 2014.

**Suzanne Rea**

Consultant Plastic Surgeon

Suzanne is a Consultant Plastic Surgeon at Fiona Stanley Hospital and Perth Children's Hospital, with a specialist interest in burns surgery.

Strongly involved with the Foundation's scientific and burns related research, Suzanne's primary goals for the Fiona Wood Foundation are to assist in growing the burns team, particularly in regard to the medical and surgical side of burn management and how the burn scars can be influenced. Suzanne has led the development and growth of laser treatment for burns scars at the adult and paediatric units. She is currently involved in a number of research projects specifically examining the role of laser in burns scars. She aims to see the Foundation evolve to be a world leader in holistic burn care, focusing on patient survival as well as quality of life post injury (both physical and psychological). Suzanne was appointed to the Board in 2013.



Arthur Psaltis

Chief Executive Officer of Pritchard Francis

Although the better part of his career has been with Pritchard Francis, Arthur has had a dynamic work life. After completing vacation work with Pritchard Francis, he accepted a job offer as a graduate engineer. He left the firm after a few years to work for a large international practice, only to return three years later as an Associate Director in 1994. By 1996 Arthur became a Director, and in 1998 he became Managing Director. At that time, the firm comprised 6-8 people; however, today, it is 100+ people strong, with four offices in WA and the NT, and is one of the larger consulting practices in WA and one of the most highly regarded practices in Australia. Arthur has occupied many committees and board positions, both voluntary and remunerated, with many industry organisations and private companies. In addition, he has mentored people outside his own business at General Manager and Practice Manager levels and as part of formally structured mentoring programs. Arthur was appointed to the Board in October 2022.



Jessica Ilich

Legal Counsel at Telstra Corporation

Jessica is a lawyer, working as Legal Counsel (Dispute Resolution) at Telstra. She previously worked in private practice at top tier law firms in commercial litigation. She holds a Bachelor of Laws, a Bachelor of Science (Anatomy and Human Biology), and a Graduate Certificate in Business. Jessica has extensive experience providing strategic and commercial legal advice to a range of clients, predominately in the areas of contract, privacy, intellectual property, regulatory, and consumer disputes. Jessica was appointed to the Fiona Wood Foundation Board in December 2022.



Todd Mairs

Partner at Sia Partners

Todd Mairs, a Partner at Sia Partners, a global consultancy, is renowned for his 25-year experience in management consulting across Europe, Asia, and America. Specialising in strategic planning and customer management, he has a strong background in Health and Aged Care, and non-profits. Formerly with Churchill Consulting, Todd was a Group Executive at St John of God Health Care and worked with Accenture in the UK. Todd recently retired from the Board of Bethanie Aged Care, and now Chairs an aged care technology start up. Todd, a "40 under 40" award recipient from WA Business News, is a CPA Australia Fellow and a non-executive Director of a NFP building homes in Cambodia. Todd was appointed to the Board in September 2023

Our Board of Directors is responsible for governance of the Foundation, including finance, risk, audit, safety and other key areas of governance.

Finance Sub-Committee

The Finance Sub-Committee, appointed by the Board, has responsibility for:

- Review and recommendation of financial policies
- Oversight of the preparation and approval of annual budgets
- Monitoring financial performance and reporting to the Board
- Liaising with auditors and reviewing audit findings

Governance and Compliance

The Fiona Wood Foundation complies with all relevant financial regulations, including the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC) requirements. The Foundation is externally and independently audited annually, and our financial reports are submitted to regulatory bodies as required. We adhere to the Privacy Act and the Fundraising Code of Conduct. The Foundation operates at the highest ethical standards, with integrity and transparency.

United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

The Foundation strategically aligns our vision with several United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in order to be at the forefront of global research and discovery in burns and scarring.

3 GOOD HEALTH
AND WELL-BEING



Goal 3: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all ages.

The Foundation's dedication to advancing burn care and improving the lives of burn victims intersects notably with targets 3.4, 3.7, 3.8, 3b, 3c, and 3d. Our commitment to improving the lives of burn survivors demonstrates a multifaceted contribution towards enhancing global health outcomes.

4 QUALITY
EDUCATION



Goal 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

Through our collaborative partnerships with universities, commitment to gender equality, and emphasis on sustainable healthcare education, we contribute to the achievement of targets 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, and 4.7. This commitment underlines our role in fostering an educated and informed global community prepared to address challenges in burn care and prevention.

5 GENDER
EQUALITY



Goal 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.

Through championing equal opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) research, promoting women's leadership, ensuring equitable access to resources, and leveraging technology for empowerment, we directly contribute to targets 5.1, 5.5, and 5a, 5b, and 5c.

9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION
AND INFRASTRUCTURE



Goal 9: Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialisation, and foster innovation.

Through developing and translating groundbreaking research into medical technologies and services that reinforce SDG 9, we foster a sustainable, innovative infrastructure within healthcare, through scientific research.

17 PARTNERSHIPS
FOR THE GOALS



Goal 17: Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalise the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development.

We are committed to advancing sustainable development through open and accessible scientific research, fostering global collaboration and knowledge-sharing. Additionally, we advocate for the ethical use of medical technologies to prevent their exploitation for consumerism, ensuring that healthcare advancements serve societal needs.

As we continue expanding the body of knowledge in burns research, we affirm our commitment to contributing to these critical goals, thereby deepening our dedication to sustainable development and equitable healthcare practices.

Research Governance

The Fiona Wood Foundation is committed to world-leading research and discovery in the area of burns and scarring and achieves this through the highest standards of responsible and ethical conduct.

All research funded by the foundation complies with relevant federal and state legislative requirements, is reviewed by Institutional ethics and governance committees and complies with the *Australian code for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes* and/or the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2023)*.

Strategic Plan 2030



Our Vision

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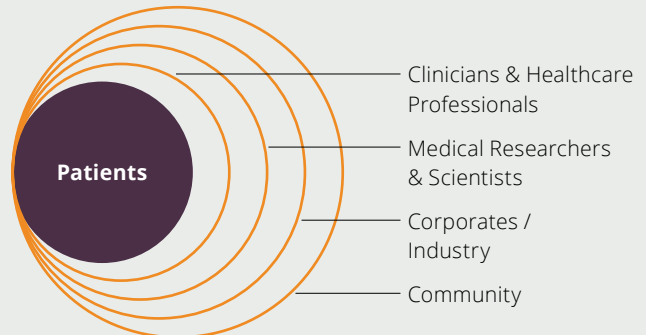
By continually growing the body of knowledge, our work will save lives and make a significant difference to the recovery of people who have sustained burn injuries both locally, and around the world.



Our Strategic Intent

To deliver scarless healing in both mind and body, to those who suffer from burn injury.

Our Beneficiaries



Our Strategic Pillars

World Leading Research: At the heart of our Foundation lies the relentless pursuit of innovation and excellence in burn research. Our commitment to pushing the boundaries of medical science ensures we remain at the forefront of ground-breaking treatments and therapies, offering renewed hope to those affected by burns.

Impactful Education: Through our education initiatives, we strive to empower healthcare professionals, patients, the industry workforce and the broader community, with the knowledge and skills necessary to prevent burns, understand first aid, and to manage and treat burns - ensuring improved recovery outcomes for anyone who may suffer a burn injury.

Advancing Care: Providing exceptional care to burn survivors is our highest priority. We strive for excellence in burn care by translating our research into improved clinical care for our patients. We continue to refine and enhance our clinical practices, ensuring that every patient and their carers receives the best possible treatment and support throughout their recovery journey.

Financial Sustainability: To sustain and expand our vital work, we are committed to securing the resources needed to drive our research, education, and care initiatives, ensuring long-term impact and success. The financial support we receive from our donors, partners and supporters is critical and we value their ongoing commitment.

	World Leading Research	Impactful Education	Advancing Care	Financial Sustainability
Scarless Healing	Building the body of knowledge Conducting research Research partnerships	Corporate Community Medical Prevention	Clinical services Data innovation Products/technologies	Sponsorships Grants Revenue Philanthropy
Our Objectives	We are the most cited burns unit in the world	We are Australia's leading burns educator	We translate research into life changing products and techniques	We have the financial resources to achieve and sustain our goals

Research

The Fiona Wood Foundation is dedicated to reaching our vision of scarless healing in mind and body by addressing the comprehensive needs of those affected by burns.

Our research strategic pillars, known as the Three Ps—Physical, Psychological, and Physiological—guide our research and education initiatives. These pillars reflect our holistic view of burn care, recognising that recovery from a burn injury is more than skin deep.



Physical

Our research in this area focuses on reducing the physical scarring and improving wound healing processes. By exploring the cellular and molecular foundations of scar formation and fibrosis, we aim to develop advanced treatments that not only heal the skin but do so without leaving scars, delivering on our goal of physical restoration.



Psychological

Recognising the profound impact of burn injuries on mental health, our foundation invests in research to understand and support the psychological well-being of survivors and their loved ones. Our initiatives include research investigating the links between burn injury and the brain to inform mental health outcomes, to support the development of evidence-based support programs, interventions, and resources designed to strengthen the emotional resilience and mental health of those we serve. This pillar underscores our commitment to holistic burn care models through healing the mind, ensuring survivors can reclaim their quality of life and embark on a journey towards emotional recovery.



Physiological

The long-term health impacts of burns, particularly the role of the nervous system in recovery, form the basis of our physiological research. We are committed to unravelling how burns affect bodily functions over time, with the aim of mitigating these effects and promoting overall health. Our work in this domain is crucial for understanding and addressing the comprehensive health needs of burn survivors, ensuring their return to normalcy and quality of life.

At the Fiona Wood Foundation, we recognise that the journey to recovery from a burn injury is multifaceted, touching on every aspect of a person's life. Our integrated approach to the three Ps—Physical, Psychological, and Physiological—reflects our holistic perspective on burn care. It's not just about treating burns; it's about fostering a future where survivors lead full, thriving lives. Through our dedicated research, education, and innovation, we are reshaping the narrative of burn recovery, ensuring every survivor has the opportunity for scarless healing in mind and body.

Impact Stories



Paige reaches new heights

Inspired by the courage of daughter Dusty, who suffered a contact burn in a firepit accident, Mother Paige raised an astonishing \$10,000 for the Foundation at the Central Park Plunge in November 2023 – making her the top fundraiser among all charities at this event.

Paige witnessed Dusty's extraordinary strength and resilience throughout her burn recovery, and stepped forward to embrace her fear of heights and show her children they can conquer any obstacle and triumph over their deepest fears.

"Collectively our individual donors raised more than \$370,000 this year, supporting our researchers to deliver scarless healing, in both mind and body, to those who suffer from burn injury."

We thank all our special donors and fundraisers for their valued support and commitment, which makes a huge difference to burns research, treatment and recovery.

Donation aids world-first study on mental health impacts of childhood burns

Telethon 7 is supporting collaborative, pioneering research on '*Understanding the Physiological Impact of Childhood Burn Trauma on the Brain*', being undertaken by the Foundation.

The research team aims to understand the psychological outcomes of a burn injury and are employing a co-designed trauma-focused intervention to help children and their families build up resilience and good mental health following a burn injury.

The study will utilise MRI technology to compare the brain scans of burn-injured children with uninjured cohorts. MRI is non-invasive and offers a unique glimpse into the potential brain changes caused by burn trauma, which may influence long-term mental health.

The knowledge gained could lead to individual interventions and strategies to tackle mental health challenges faced by young burn survivors.

The team will be led by Dr Amira Allahham, alongside Professor Helen Milroy and Dr Pradeep Rao, experts in childhood and adolescent psychiatry, with support from the WA National Imaging Facility.

"Our researchers are the life force of our team and create the positive change for burns patients around the world."





A little fighter's path to healing

Noah was 14 months old when he sustained a scald burn to his legs, arm, and torso after turning on a hot water tap in the bathroom sink. His parents responded straight away, and their quick thinking and actions were crucial to Noah's burn journey.

"We knew that 20 minutes of cool running water was key, but it does feel like such a long time."

Under the care of the Perth Children's Hospital Burns Team and Dr Fiona Wood, Noah received recell (spray-on skin) treatment and frequent specialised dressing changes. At the end of two gruelling weeks, his wounds had recovered, and he was able to return home and attend outpatient care.

"The treatment Noah received is world-class, and I honestly believe it made the difference." Mark, Noah's Dad

Noah is now back running, climbing, and doing all the activities of children his age. He still receives care from the Burns Clinic.

"He has light scarring over most of his legs and small areas of his trunk and arm; it is much less than we first expected. We are very thankful that as Noah was so young at the time, he does not have many memories of it."

Celebrating recovery and resilience

Enjoying time with friends around a campfire, Sarah accidentally sat down on an iron frame exposed to extreme heat and suffered full thickness burns to around 18% of her body.

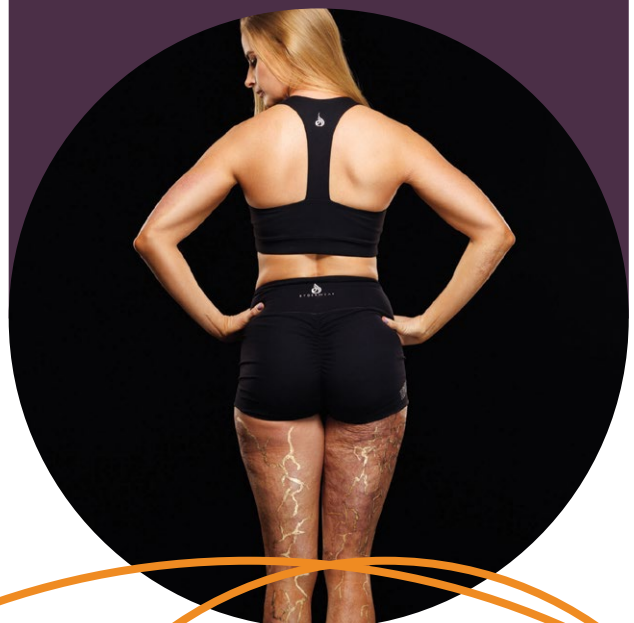
"The days and weeks that followed were easily the most difficult of my life."

"From the moment I entered the Burns Unit until the moment I left, the care that I received was phenomenal. Not just physically but also mentally and emotionally."

"Following my discharge from Fiona Stanley Hospital, I had burn nurses coming to my home to continue my care. When I was able, I returned to hospital for showers and dressing changes. All the while was doing physio and occupational therapy sessions to regain my strength and mobility."

"I recently celebrated my 5 year 'Burniversary' and did so by having gold painted onto my scars. I wanted to remember that although I experienced severe trauma, I am stronger than I ever was before."

I can never thank Dr Wood and the whole team enough for what they did for me. The Burns team work tirelessly to innovate new treatments and extend their knowledge and skills of treating burns, so the very least I can do is spare a little time to volunteer and help them achieve this."





Phoenix rising: terror victim to burn survivor

“For those of us who were in Bali in October 2002, we saw the very worst that humanity has to offer. But in the doctors, nurses, scientists, researchers and other allied health professionals, we also saw the very best that humanity has to offer. These are people who work tirelessly to help the injured to recover. Their job is not easy, and they don’t receive wide acclaim, but day in and day out they turn up to fight the good fight, to help those who have been dealt a bad hand in life.”

In 2022, Antony was buried alive under the ruins of the Sari Club on the night of the bombing of the Sari Club in Bali. After making his own way out of the ruins, he was eventually airlifted to the Royal Darwin Hospital by the RAAF and then to Royal Perth Hospital. He was not expected to survive.

“I suffered severe burns to 60% of my body, shrapnel injuries, hearing loss, swelling on the brain and severe infection, and spent 53 days in intensive care at Royal Perth Hospital. I was virtually paralysed, couldn’t walk or sit up, bend my joints or lift my limbs. The basic tasks of life were impossible. Professor Fiona Wood and an incredible team of doctors and nurses performed three lifesaving operations on me during this time, which essentially saved my life.”

Dr Dale Edgar and the physiotherapy and occupational therapy team worked on getting me moving again and I eventually learnt how to walk again and regain functional movement.

After three months of regular visits to hospital for dressing changes, occupational therapy and physiotherapy, and many surgeries to fix troublesome scarring, I am now fully recovered and leading a normal life. I’ve also written a book about my ordeal.”

Small hands, big strength

At age 10, Nevaeh accidentally dropped a tower fan, resulting in its damage. While trying to fix it, she was electrocuted, sustaining burns to her fingers.

Due to the electric shock and her burn injury, Nevaeh spent the night in the hospital and would return over following days for treatment from the Burns Team, including skin graft surgery to her fingers.

Her rehabilitation journey followed, with an occupational therapist, physiotherapist and the Burns Team. Her mother Mandy recalls that during this time, everyone made Nevaeh feel supported and reassured, which helped her general well-being.

Nevaeh continued to wear pressure gloves to help her injury heal as she grows. She has quarterly check-ups with the Burns Team and will require laser treatment to avoid keloids. She participates in burns research and is currently attending a trampoline program designed to promote good mental health and well-being after sustaining a burn injury.

Nevaeh still has a positive outlook on life and has become used to the gloves. When she no longer needs them, the family plan to have a grand celebration.



Financial Summary

Income

2022/23 Financial Year

● Individuals and community	14%
● Philanthropic Trusts and Foundations	41%
● Corporate Sponsorships	6%
● Government Grants	17%
● Other	22%



Expenditure

2022/23 Financial Year

● FWF Administration	24%
● Research costs	70%
● Research consumables	5%



Acknowledgements

Research Collaboration Partners

- ANZBA (Australia and New Zealand Burn Association)
- Australian National Phenome Centre
- Avita Medical
- Burns Service Western Australia
- Clemons Lab
- Griffith University
- Inventia
- Murdoch University
- Queensland University of Technology
- RMIT University
- Syntara (previously Pharmaxis)
- Telethon Kids Institute
- The Origins Project
- The University of Edinburgh
- The University of Western Australia
- The University of Queensland
- University of Technology Sydney
- University of Wollongong
- University of Notre Dame
- University of South Australia
- University of Pretoria
- Waters
- 3-D Matrix Medical Technology

Burn Injury Prevention Partners

- ANZBA (Australia and New Zealand Burn Association)
- Department of Fire and Emergency Services, Western Australian Government
- Injury Matters
- Kidsafe Australia and State branches

Corporate Partners and Donors

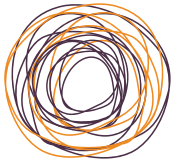
- CBH Group
- Chevron
- Clayton Utz Foundation
- Fire Protection Association Australia
- Freo Fire Services
- Marmion Primary School
- Perth Children's Hospital Foundation
- Protection Engineering Pty Ltd
- Stan Perron Centre of Excellence in Childhood Burns
- Telethon 7
- The Ian Potter Foundation
- Wheatley Family Foundation

Government Partners

Western Australian Government

- Child and Adolescent Health Service
- Department of Health
- South Metropolitan Health Service





“We have to work on a multilayered approach, looking at every stage

of a patient’s journey and working out the basic science behind everything. It’s a very complicated jigsaw, and the more we learn, the more complicated we know it is.”

Fiona Wood *Under Her Skin*

We are resolute in expanding the body of knowledge on burns research, aiming to achieve our vision of scarless healing in mind and body. With the invaluable support of our burns family, individual donors, corporate partners, and those who include us in their Wills, we harness the lessons of today to forge a better tomorrow for burn patients and their families.

Our heartfelt thanks.

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