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Sydney Home Nursing Service

(1900 -)

Born 2 January, 1900, Sydney New South Wales Australia

Occupation Social support organisation

Summary

The Sydney District Nursing Association was established in 1900 on the initiative of the Anglican Christian Social Union, which considered the care of the sick to be part of its Christian responsibility. It supplied trained nurses to visit the sick and poor in their own homes. In 1906 it made the decision to co-operate with other religious organisations, thereby becoming a non-denominational association. By 1935 the Association was incorporated as a second schedule hospital, governed by a board of directors appointed by the Government. The Association expanded rapidly after 1956 with the passing of the Home Nursing Subsidy Act with the result that by 1967 decentralisation of the service was a priority. The name was changed to the Sydney Home Nursing Service in 1967. The Sydney Home Nursing Service is the largest single organisation in New South Wales delivering community nursing care.

Published resources

Book

Going the extra mile: a pictorial history of the Sydney Home Nursing Service, 1900-2000, Sparke, Mary, 2000

Book Section

History of Home Nursing in Australia, States and Territories Home Nursing Sciences, 1985

Resource Section

1985 Special Article - History of Home Nursing in Australia, States and Territories Home Nursing Sciences, 1985, <http://www.abs.gov.au/Ausstats/abs@.nsf/0/911b5af72f818795ca2569de0024ed5a?OpenDocument>

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

Mitchell and Dixson Libraries Manuscripts Collection

[Sydney District Nursing Association - records, 1904-1982](#)

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