

Rosemary Bell's Nomination

For almost 50 years, Rosie Bell has worked with families. For more than 11 of those years, she has been a valuable member of the YFS team working across a number priority areas as Burrabilly worker. Rosie's passion to support, serve and create change for families and community, is matched by her kindness, compassion, loyalty, wisdom, and humour. Across her career she has had several 'firsts'. She worked at the first Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Medical Service in Red Hill. She was the first Aboriginal health nurse in Woodridge and in her 20's she was the only registered Aboriginal nurse in the Darwin Hospital Intensive Care unit and prides herself on the strong relationships she built with community members who would ask for her specifically. As a proud Nidgeri/ Jungerboi/ Junobin/ Burunggam woman she is proud of the heritage she is handing on to a new generation of Aboriginal workers, and still enjoys the chance to empower her people – while having a laugh with her YFS team.