

Branch Chair: Merle Taylor

Merle is a hospital trained Registered Nurse and Credentialed Diabetes Educator (CDE) currently working for Black Swan Health. She has a Certificate IV in Practice Management, is FLEXIT certified and a DESMOND facilitator, and also works in private practice.

Merle has been a nurse since 1975 and began her career in Practice Nursing in 1994. During her 21 years in the practice, she was the Practice Manager, Practice Nurse Manager, Diabetes Educator, and CDE.



Merle was seconded to work in North Metropolitan Health Service and in homeless medicine. Preparing chronic condition care plans as part of her role was the impetus in her taking the next step to become a CDE.

Merle strives to provide her clients with a conducive environment to receive evidence-based education tailored to their needs, using a multidisciplinary team approach. She guides and supports people living with diabetes by empowering them to self-manage with confidence.

Taking on the role of WA Branch Chair is a daunting task. Merle hopes to be able to draw on the knowledge and experience of the long-serving CDEs to guide her through this role.

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