

Media Release

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Port Lincoln Community Actively Supports LINKIN Health Study and Census

“Community support for LINKIN Health Study and Health Census has been marvellous!” according to local GP Dr Jonathan Newbury and LINKIN Health Study Community Engagement Officer, Julie Low.

Dr Newbury stated “The extremely positive support from the Port Lincoln community shows the high importance of health and health services issues in people’s lives”.

Dr Newbury noted the example of a young local couple, Mark and Rayann Semmens, who volunteered to help promote the LINKIN Health Census and Study on the local ABC radio. Mark and Rayann talked to local ABC breakfast presenter Dean Williams about the LINKIN Health Census and Study and their hopes and wishes for health services in Port Lincoln for their young family now and in the future.

Mark and Rayann said, “We think it is important as a family to participate in the LINKIN Health Census to help the university and ultimately, the delivery of health care in our community”

“People from the Eyre Peninsula are well known for their generosity with their time and for helping others. We encourage everyone to help the University of Adelaide by filling in the LINKIN Health Census, which will ultimately benefit the community.”

“The health of our rural communities is important and will become more so in the future.”

Community Engagement Officer Julie Low said that the local community organisations and local government agencies she approached have been extremely supportive and willing for her to speak at their meetings about the LINKIN Health Census.

“I have talked to many community groups and their active support and encouragement has helped make my task of engaging the community enjoyable”, she said.

Dr Newbury is reminding the community that there is now only days until the 10.10.10 when LINKIN Health Census Collectors will be back to collect your completed forms, so make your health count.

Photo: James, Mark, Rayann and Luca Semmens



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