The Hush Foundation is proud to announce our Gold Partnership with St Vincent’s Health Australia. Hush and St Vincent’s have a long-standing relationship through our shared values and objectives.

The Hush Foundation was founded by Professor Catherine Crock AM, who saw a need to introduce music and the arts into health and aged care spaces with the aim of providing a calming environment for patients, residents, and staff. This led to the Gathering of Kindness, which encourages kindness, dignity, and respect for every person within the health and aged care systems.

St Vincent’s places its mission at the heart of everything they do. They exist to provide care and bring healing to those in need. Every day, the St Vincent’s family go beyond to express their special commitment to people who are poor or vulnerable. Words like kind, caring, and attentive feature consistently in patient and resident reactions on their experiences of care delivered by St Vincent’s. St Vincent’s Health Australia’s vision is to provide outstanding care from outstanding people when and where you need it, that is informed by leading research, patient-centric and provided in accordance with their core values of compassion, integrity, justice and excellence. This fits perfectly with the Hush Foundation ethos.

We know that kindness can be transformative. It makes a difference to the safety and effectiveness of teams working together. It brings joy and meaning to the work and to the lives of the people in our care.

This newly formalised Gold Partnership will enable Hush and St Vincent’s to share resources, information and ideas that will continue to foster kindness, compassion and excellence in health and aged care.

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