Welcome to the September edition of ‘Let’s Talk’ for 2018!

‘Let’s Talk’ is published quarterly for Aboriginal health professionals and those working with Aboriginal communities who are proudly leading the way to a cancer-free future in WA. It has up-to-date information on Aboriginal cancer education and research programs, Aboriginal cancer events, cancer issues, trends and cancer support services available in Western Australia.

An update on our Reconciliation Action Plan

In November 2016, Cancer Council WA proudly launched its first Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). The RAP outlines our commitment to lead a community effort to improve the quality of life and cancer outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Our RAP is a chance to influence the attitudes of staff and embed in our organisation the crucial part Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have played.

We are committed to improving the cancer outcomes for Aboriginal people in WA and have made significant achievements including:

- Establishment of an external Aboriginal Advisory Group who provide ongoing guidance to ensure our services and resources are culturally appropriate and meet the needs of the Aboriginal community.
- Delivered our Aboriginal Cancer Education Course to over 200 Aboriginal health professionals across regional and metro WA.
- Facilitated palliative care placements for 32 Aboriginal health professionals
- Developed an Aboriginal Cancer Education Video for Aboriginal health professionals and Aboriginal community members.

We are working hard to complete the actions we developed and committed to in 2016, with very few outstanding we will be looking forward to starting the development of our next RAP within the next year.

Appointment of Cancer Council WA’s Cancer Prevention and Research Director

We would like to share with our key stakeholders that Melissa Ledger was appointed Cancer Prevention and Research Director on 16 July 2018.

Melissa has a Master’s in Public Health and a Bachelor of Science (Health Promotion) and is a highly experienced program manager with Cancer Council WA, having been with the organisation for nineteen years. We congratulate Melissa on this appointment and look forward to her contribution to our mission of reducing the incidence and impact of cancer.
Meet our new Regional Education Officer for the Kimberley 60 seconds with Dr Julie Owen

We would like to introduce Dr Julie Owen who is working as our Kimberley Regional Education Officer for the next 10 months covering maternity leave. Julie is based in the Cancer Prevention and Research division.

Tell us a bit about yourself and your role
I am a proud Narangga / Ngarrindjeri Nations woman from South Australia. I’ve lived in the Kimberley on and off for over 20 years. My background is teaching and I love learning. I have a Doctorate in Aboriginal Health from UWA and my role with the Cancer Council WA is to raise awareness of prevention and early detection of cancer.

Imagine money was no object – describe your perfect day…
Blue skies, smooth waters, kayaking around the lighthouse trying to spot the whales in Roebuck Bay.

If you could time travel would you go to the past or the future? Why?
I’d like to go into the future and see how my 14 grandchildren were doing as parents.

What’s the greatest bit of advice a parent or mentor has given you?
My grandmother always said “Treat others as you want to be treated” which is good daily advice.

Which invention do you clearly remember being created?
I remember the black and white television being bought in to the house and how excited we all were.

Would you rather…. Have a night out or evening in?
If the night out included a live band, then I would go out to dance up a storm.

Fill your tank up when it hits halfway or when the empty light turns on?
Usually a yellow flashing light reminds me I’ve got to fill up.

Take a guaranteed $100,000 or a 50/50 chance at $1,000,000?
I’d take the $100,000 and buy a lot of scratchies.

Have the ability to fly or the ability to read people’s mind?
I’d like to fly, I always laugh at birds that scurry across the road when they could soar over it.

Thanks for your time, Julie :) Keep an eye out for the next 60 seconds with... in the next e-bulletin.

PEPA WA’s Visit to Broome

Cancer Council WA’s Program of Experience in the Palliative Approach (PEPA) team recently headed to Broome to deliver a Culture Centred Care workshop in collaboration with the Yiriman Women and the Kimberley Palliative Care Service.

The Yiriman Women are a group of women from four language groups in the West Kimberley who come together to pass cultural and traditional bush knowledge on to future generations as part of the Yiriman project.

The group approached PEPA as they had a growing passion to teach health professionals how to care for Aboriginal people towards the end of life and help them to understand what is culturally important during this time. The two day workshop was very successful with 45 people attending. Day one commenced with a smoking ceremony by local Yawuru elder Jim Edgar. Following this the Yiriman women led a discussion about cultural practices towards end of life and the beliefs of the Aboriginal life cycle in the West Kimberley region. This was explained through artwork completed by the group. The Yiriman women then discussed the importance of communicating correctly with Aboriginal patients about end of life concerns and touched on bush medicine treatments and kinship system.
Day two consisted of the participants working through palliative care case studies relevant to the Kimberley region with help from the Yiriman ladies. This was followed by a role play exercise which focused on breaking bad news, advance care planning and conducting a family meeting with an Aboriginal patient and their family. The workshop was concluded with a song and dance by the Yiriman ladies and participants.

The feedback from attendees was very positive and it was a great two days had by all with lots of yarning. The PEPA team would like to thank the Yiriman Women and the Kimberley Palliative Care Team for their involvement in this fantastic workshop; it would not have been possible without them.

Below are some quotes from participants who completed the course:

“The delivery of the workshop was excellent; Yiriman ladies input, role-playing, case studies, PowerPoint presentations. My interest was enabled at all times throughout the two days. The diversity of information given by presenters and attendees was excellent and appropriate.”

“I liked the involvement of traditional women of all ages and different groups to complement the program. Providing real-life experiences and cultural knowledge relevant to the palliative approach”

If your workplace is interested in palliative care education or culture centred care training, please don’t hesitate to contact Deanne Lewis the PEPA Aboriginal Project Officer on 9382 9339 or email pepa@cancerwa.asn.au. PEPA Placements are also available for Aboriginal health professionals in metropolitan & regional areas. We encourage all to apply as soon as possible.

Find Cancer Early Campaign

Every day in Australia, two Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are told they have cancer.

Cancer Council WA’s Find Cancer Early campaign was developed to help people living in regional areas become more aware of the five most common cancers: bowel, breast, lung, prostate and skin.

People in regional WA are more likely to put-off seeing their doctor, clinic worker or health worker about cancer symptoms, which can result in them finding cancer later.

The earlier cancer is found the better the chance of getting rid of it.

The Find Cancer Early symptom checklist is a tool for everyday people and can also help guide conversations between health professionals and patients.

The resource lists 10 early symptoms of the five most common cancers and explains when these symptoms need to be discussed with a doctor, clinic nurse or Aboriginal health worker.

If you would like to order some of our campaign materials (signs, postcards, posters or flyers) to promote the Find Cancer Early message in your community, please contact us.

Have you had any of these...

... for more than 4 weeks...
- Problems peeing
- Runny goona
- Losing weight for no reason
- A strange pain, lump or swelling anywhere in your body
- Hard to breathe
- A cough
- A new or changed spot on your skin

Once or more...
- Blood in your goona
- Coughing up blood
- Blood in your pee

Tell a clinic nurse, doctor or health worker
The earlier cancer is found, the greater the chance of successful treatment.

For more information visit findcancerearly.com.au or call 13 11 20
Meet Rita, our new Find Cancer Early Champion

Rita is from Kununurra and is a breast cancer survivor. She will be featured in some of our new Find Cancer Early resources. Rita’s key message is: ‘I want girls to take notice of their own bodies. If you see something different, get it checked out. Don’t leave it too long’.

She advises people not to put off talking to their doctor, clinic nurse or Aboriginal health worker about any unusual symptoms.

When she noticed a lump, Rita explained ‘I wanted to get it checked out. I didn’t want to hide away’.

Cancer Council WA is looking for regional Western Australians cancer patients and survivors to promote the early cancer detection message.

If you picked up a bowel, breast, lung, prostate or skin cancer symptom early and were diagnosed after the age of 40 or know someone who has, we would love to speak with you about being a Find Cancer Early Champion.

Please contact Hannah Cauchi today to see how your story could help other regional Western Australians Find Cancer Early. Ph: (08) 9382 9354 E: hcauchi@cancerwa.asn.au

What is LiveLighter®?
LiveLighter® is a state government funded public health education program that aims to encourage people to eat well, be physically active and maintain a healthy body weight.

What does LiveLighter® do?
LiveLighter® aims to address overweight and obesity in WA through public education, which includes mass media campaigns to promote their messages as far and wide as possible. You may be familiar with some of their recent ‘Sugary Drinks’ and ‘Junk Food’ campaigns. In the past, the LiveLighter® campaigns were mainly broadcast through TV and print, but with evolving technology and more and more media channels for people to choose from, Live Lighter® has expanded its advertisements through other avenues such as social media and online advertisements, billboards, train stations, catch up TV and Foxtel.

Although the mass media campaigns are the most visible part of the program, the team at LiveLighter® does a whole lot more such as advocating for environmental changes through strategic alliance and partnerships including strong media partnerships to make the healthier choice the easier choice.

The team works with all levels and across governments, non-governments, and businesses including retailers, universities, community organisations and all levels of government to encourage healthier changes in all settings.

In addition, the LiveLighter® Program provides individuals with tools and resources to make healthy changes such as meal plans and recipes on their website, and also provides a number of other useful resources for health professionals, clients and the community. Visit the LiveLighter® website to check them out.

Here are some upcoming LiveLighter® projects...

**LiveLighter® pilot project in the Pilbara**

Through Healthway funding, LiveLighter® will be heading to the Pilbara in early November to work with the local agencies and community groups to increase the reach and improve the effectiveness of the LiveLighter® program. LiveLighter® is currently looking at two other regions for this work to be completed in partnership with local agencies.

As part of this project, LiveLighter® will seek to form meaningful partnerships with local community organisations and key community stakeholders to develop culturally appropriate and relevant LiveLighter® resources informed by local knowledge and community input.

In addition, the program will seek to build the capacity and support the local workforce to use LiveLighter® resources and promote LiveLighter® messages within the local community.

We hope that this new project approach will be effective and sustainable in improving the awareness and creating healthy behaviour changes among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
Eat Brighter LiveLighter

The colourful Eat Brighter LiveLighter (EBLL) campaign will again be running from October to remind people to buy more colour when shopping for fruit & vegetables. It’s an easy way to think of getting more fruit and vegies into your trolley and into your meals!

Fruit and vegetables are classified into five colour groups, according to the phytochemicals (plant nutrients) they contain. Phytochemicals give fruit and vegetables their distinctive colours, smells and health benefits. Different colours in fruits and vegetables tend to correspond to different combinations of nutrients and phytochemicals.

Eating plenty of fruits and vegetables in all the colours of the rainbow will give you a great mix of all the nutrients you need to promote good health. Click on the each of the colours below to learn more about the nutrients provided by each colour group.

EBLL promotes all types of fruit and vegies – canned, frozen and dried varieties are good options to fresh. They can be cheaper and may have a higher nutrition content than their fresh counterparts! Have a read of our top tips for these convenient gems.

Contact our LiveLighter® team if you would like to see how we can support your work in promoting the LiveLighter® messages.

Together we can Make Smoking History for everyone

Since 2004-05 around 35,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adults have given up smoking1. This change in smoking status will save thousands of lives, and has been due to the great work delivered by passionate people around Australia, especially by the Tackling Indigenous Smoking program.

Despite this progress, the smoking prevalence among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples remains high, with an estimated 165,000 adults still reporting smoking daily1, and the gap between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal smoking rates is still way too big (41% vs 14.5% respectively2). This shows that there is still more work to be done and no one organisation or person can achieve this alone. Organisations, health workers, communities and individuals need to work together to ensure people are being offered support to reduce and quit smoking, and can access support services and information.

Since 2014, our Make Smoking History team has become more focused on reducing tobacco-related health inequalities in all of our work, this includes working to reduce tobacco use among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

If you and your organisation are already working to reduce the high rates of tobacco use among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people throughout WA then our Make Smoking History team welcome the opportunity to work with you.

People accessing community services make up a large proportion of the 230,000 Western Australians who still smoke tobacco. This is why health and community services across WA are joining forces to ensure everyone has ongoing access to personalised, non-judgemental information and support to help them reduce and quit smoking, in an environment they trust.

Our Make Smoking History program works with services to identify tailored solutions for addressing smoking and integrate them into the work they’re already doing.

To ensure the program is equitable and accessible to services across WA we want to work with other health professionals who may either be already working with community services in their region or want to. We believe that by working together we’re stronger in our fight to make smoking history for everyone.

To find out more please visit the Make Smoking History Community Services website or contact Lorena Chapman at lchapman@cancerwa.asn.au or 9388 4386.

Sources:

Share your story!

Has smoking had a big impact on your health? Share your story and you can help others to quit! Get in touch at MakeSmokingHistory@cancerwa.asn.au.
Cancer Council WA celebrates NAIDOC week with a cultural experience!

Cancer Council WA celebrated NAIDOC week with a special presentation and morning tea held on Thursday 12th July 2018. Local Noongar elder Dr Richard Walley opened the morning tea with a Welcome to Country and introduced John and Alton from the Middar Dance Group for some fantastic storytelling in dance. The group performed a number of cultural dances including the spirit dance, emu, kangaroo and the celebration dance.

The dances were followed by some story telling by Dr Walley who called upon some of our staff to help tell the story of the land of ‘Bits and Pieces’ and the hands, feet, body and head. The story was lot of a fun and a great way to share an important message about working together.

A smoking ceremony gave staff the opportunity to participate in part of the culture - and was well received by all.

The morning tea was concluded with a fantastic speech by our CEO Ashley Reid who thanked Dr Walley, John and Alton, spoke on the meaning of NAIDOC Week and highlighted some of our key achievements towards our RAP commitment.

Cancer Council WA staff proved themselves brilliant at artistic design with an array of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander colours both in food and dress – well done to all who participated.
Because of her, we can!

To celebrate the end of a successful NAIDOC week and in recognition of this year’s NAIDOC theme ‘Because of her, we can’, Cancer Council WA would like to acknowledge the following strong, inspirational women working towards improving the health of Aboriginal people.

Leanne Pilkington

Tell us a bit about yourself, where did you grow up and who is your mob?
I’m a Nyoongar yorga from Binjareb country. Born in Pinjarra and grew up all over Australia. Mum and Dad travelled a lot following work so we all went with them. I changed primary schools 27 times, but always knew where I belonged. My maiden name is van den Berg, my mob is Corbett and Walley families. I married into the Pilkington family. All up my husband and I have 6 kids, 4 together and lots of grandkids. More to come I hope.

What is your current role and what led you to do the work that you currently do?
I am currently on secondment with WA Country Health Service as the Program Manager State-wide Aboriginal Liaison, I have been here almost two years. My substantive role is Aboriginal Program Officer at BreastScreen WA. I’d been with BreastScreen for 11 years when this job came up and I thought it would be good to have a change. I love working in Aboriginal health.

What is your biggest achievement and why?
I’d have to say my biggest achievement is bringing my kids up to be decent human beings, although that was a team effort. For myself, it is hiking around Litchfield National Park in the NT. Going down into the swimming holes and climbing back up without collapsing was a major achievement. Professionally there are quite a few highlights – the Pink Ribbon Picnic in the Parks, being involved with Kay Walley and Janinne Gliddon to get Women in Partnership up and running and being involved with the expansion of Country Health Connection are some.

What is some advice you would give to others (in general or working in Aboriginal health)?
I’ve worked in Aboriginal health for more than 20 years and it is always challenging, but can also be very rewarding. My best advice would be to have patience and be flexible. Don’t get disheartened if you don’t see instant results, change takes time, perseverance and flexibility. Even though I get frustrated when I hear all the same old comments and recommendations that I’ve heard 10 and 20 years ago, I know there have been small improvements. Aboriginal life expectancy has increased slightly, infant mortality has decreased, there are more Aboriginal people working in health and more services available to Aboriginal people, we just have to promote them and raise awareness of them. At least now Aboriginal patients have a voice through the Aboriginal Liaison Officers in the hospitals and services, non-Aboriginal health professionals receive a lot more training in cultural awareness than 20 years ago and I find that many of them are more open to advice about cultural issues and how it can affect patient care.

What does this year’s NAIDOC theme mean to you?
My biggest inspiration throughout my life is my mother so this year’s NAIDOC theme is spot on. I come from a line of very strong women who have had a lot of influence on me, my Mum, my Nanna, my sisters and some aunties. Culturally, I am guided by older women but my mum is my main support for advice or just a sounding board. I’m so lucky to still have Mum around. Because of her – I can, I am and I will be!

Janinne Gliddon

Tell us a bit about yourself, where did you grow up and who is your mob?
I grew up in Perenjori until I was 11 then we moved to Beckenham/Forrestfield in Perth. I am a proud Badimia Yamatji and Ballardong Nyoongar woman. My family on my grandmothers side is Fogarty/Little and on my grandfather’s side is Phillips/Leeder. I have a 26 year old son who I am very proud of. I love my AFL, my culture and travelling.

What is your current role and what led you to do the work that you currently do?
I am the Aboriginal Senior Health Promotion Officer based at King Edward Memorial Hospital. I have always been passionate about women’s health and our bubba’s. It is important for women to feel empowered in their health choices and to have healthy pregnancies and bubbas.

What is your biggest achievement and why?
I have a few…… becoming a mother and raising my son to adulthood as a single mother with my family’s support, getting a degree in my 40’s (never too old to further ones education) and building my own home which has just been finished.

What is some advice you would give to others (in general or working in Aboriginal health)?
Hmmm…… be yourself. Don’t forget where you come from and fight the fight as there is always a light at the end of the tunnel.

What does this year’s NAIDOC theme mean to you?
“Because of her, we can” what an amazing honour this year to be able to highlight our deadly, strong, amazing women in our lives and the ones before us who paved the way for us to continue what they started.
Sharon Bushby

Tell us a bit about yourself, where did you grow up and who is your mob?
I am a Noongar woman from Perth. I trained as an Aboriginal Health Worker 25 years ago. I have worked within the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Sector since graduation. Over 15 years were spent working at Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service in a variety of roles. For the past 7 years I have worked at the Aboriginal Health Council of WA. I have a bachelor Degree of Applied Science in Indigenous Community Health and a Master’s Degree in Public Health.

What is your current role and what led you to do the work that you currently do?
My Current Role is the Member Support and Development – Executive Manager. I moved into this role because I really enjoy training and capacity building of the workforce. I am also passionate about promoting the importance of the role of the Aboriginal Health Worker/Practitioner and providing opportunities for them to increase their ability to meet their community’s needs.

What is your biggest achievement and why?
My biggest achievement was completing my Aboriginal Health Worker Training and being able to work with my community to improve access to culturally appropriate health care.

What is some advice you would give to others (in general or working in Aboriginal health)?
Working in Aboriginal Health is challenging but the opportunity to make a real difference in people’s lives and the gratitude that you receive from the community is far greater. The 20 years I have worked in Aboriginal Health has changed my life and made me a better person.

What does this year’s NAIDOC theme mean to you?
This year’s NAIDOC theme was very close to my heart. I was raised by a single mum and grandmother who were both strong women who had very hard lives who sacrificed to ensure my sister and I could get an education and achieve our goals in life. They also taught me the importance of compassion and empathy when working with people.

The theme took on extra meaning after NAIDOC as I lost one of my dearest friends who was my first manager. She taught me how to speak up and be an advocate. She was a great role model.

It is because of these women that I am able to do what I do today.
USEFUL RESOURCES

Get Checked You Mob – Cancer Council Victoria

Take a look at Cancer Council Victoria’s ‘get checked you mob’ video here. The video aims to raise awareness of the importance of regular health checks for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

WA Cervical Cancer Prevention Program

The WA Cervical Cancer Prevention Program (WACCPP) has recently developed a suite of cervical screening resources for Aboriginal women, including brochures, posters and a postcard. These resources support recent changes to the National Cervical Screening Program in which the two-yearly Pap smear was replaced by the five-yearly Cervical Screening Test. In addition, the Cervical Screening Flipchart Resource is now available to assist healthcare providers to discuss the importance of regular cervical screening with Aboriginal women. The WACCPP can support service providers delivering cervical screening awareness workshops in the community and can also provide flipchart training.

These resources can be ordered by emailing cervicalscreening@health.wa.gov.au and will be a handy tool to promote cervical screening during National Cervical Cancer Awareness Week (12-18 November 2018).

For more information please contact the WA Cervical Cancer Prevention Program on 13 15 56 or email cervicalscreening@health.wa.gov.au

Optimal Care Pathway for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with cancer

Optimal Care Pathways outline the recommended level of care that patients should receive at each step of the cancer journey. Recently, Cancer Council Victoria has developed an Optimal Care Pathway (OCP) specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The OCP provides guidance for health practitioners and service planners on optimal care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with cancer, across the cancer continuum.

You can access the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander OCP on the Cancer Council Victoria website.

Gynaecological cancer handbook for Aboriginal health workers and health professionals

The Gynaecological Handbook was designed to assist Aboriginal health workers and health practitioners in providing information about and support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women about gynaecological cancers.

The resource was developed by Cancer Australia and covers a wide scope of information about gynaecological cancers including what gynaecological cancers are, how to reduce risks, symptoms, treatment and more.

You can download a copy of the handbook here.

UPCOMING EVENTS, PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES

BreastScreen WA will be holding their annual ‘Picnic in the Park’ event on Tuesday 23rd October 2018. This event is held for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women to come together and raise awareness about Breast Cancer and screening. Throughout the day, women will have access to a wide range of information from a number of different organisations. There will also be food, refreshments and many other activities on offer.

For more information and to register for the event contact Kelly Cameron at Kelly.Cameron@health.wa.gov.au
**YWCA Encore – Breast Cancer Exercise Program**

YWCA Perth is offering FREE exercise classes as part of their Encore program, for women who have had breast cancer. The Encore program is provided for women who have recently undergone breast cancer treatment (at least 8 weeks post op) to assist with their recovery process.

The program runs for two hour sessions over 8 weeks and combines a range of exercises including non-impact land and hydrotherapy pool exercises which are known to improve mobility, strength, flexibility, general fitness and self-confidence. Program participants will also have the opportunity to hear from a range of guest speakers on topics related to health and wellbeing.

The Encore program is delivered in a safe and relaxed environment and is a great way for breast cancer patients to improve their strength and mobility as well as meet and connect with others who are going through a similar experience. Numbers are limited to 14, and places are reserved by returning your enrolment pack with a medical clearance.

For more information or if you would like to attend, get your ENROLMENT PACK from the program coordinator: programs@ywcaperth.com.au

The program is currently being offered in the following locations:

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AHPA Aboriginal Health Promotion Scholarship Opportunity

Are you an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person interested in health promotion?

The AHPA (WA Branch) has scholarship opportunities with our 2019 Health Promotion Scholarships Program. Since 2000, the AHPA (WA Branch) Health Promotion Scholarship Program funded by Healthway, has hosted 36 Aboriginal scholarship recipients. Recipients complete placements in a vast range of health-related organisations in the government and not-for-profit sector.

To be eligible to apply, you must be an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person who either has work or volunteer experience and/or TAFE or University qualifications in Aboriginal health, nursing, youth work, teaching or other related fields. Each scholarship offered is for a six-month full-time health promotion work placement (part-time options can be negotiated).

For any queries contact the Scholarship Coordinator by email at scholarshipswa@healthpromotion.org.au
More information can be found in the 2019 Scholarships Handbook at healthpromotionscholarshipswa.org.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: FRIDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2018 at 5PM

Current Vacancies at Cancer Council WA
Are you interested in joining our team and helping us beat cancer? Check out our current vacancies below!

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Other useful links
The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare has released a few new reports and resources that might be of interest:

Cancer compendium: information and trends by cancer type

Cervical Screening in Australia 2018

Radiotherapy in Australia 2016-17

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Stolen Generations and descendants: numbers, demographic characteristics and selected outcomes

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