

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### St John brings its life saving courses to Blacktown

St John Ambulance Australia (NSW) has created a new first aid training venue in Blacktown, which means local residents will no longer have to travel to Liverpool or the City to learn life-saving skills.

Senior First Aid and Recertification Courses will be held at The Max Webber Library, on the corner of Flushcombe Road and Alpha Street in Blacktown.

Upcoming dates are as follows:

Senior First Aid:

- 25-26<sup>th</sup> March
- 17-18<sup>th</sup> April
- 27-28<sup>th</sup> May

Senior First Aid Recertification and Flexible Learning:

- 23<sup>rd</sup> April
- 14<sup>th</sup> May

All courses are from 8.30am to 4.30pm.

Robyn Galwey, St John (NSW) General Manager of Training, comments:

“This is a great opportunity for the residents of Blacktown to learn first aid. Learning life-saving skills such as those in the Senior First Aid course are the most valuable and important skills you could learn. You never know the life you save may be a loved one or even your own.

“More children die due to an injury than die of cancer, asthma and infectious diseases combined. It’s important for parents and people who spend time with children to be aware of what to do in the case of an incident.”

Ms Galwey says it is also extremely important to have the right equipment on hand to administer first aid in an emergency and all households should have a stocked first aid kit.

**To learn first aid or find out more about St John first aid kits please visit [www.stjohnnsw.com.au](http://www.stjohnnsw.com.au) or call 1300 360 455.**

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