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Regional Imaging supports the war on waste

Regional Imaging is asking Albury locals to join them in reducing waste during *Keep Australia Beautiful Week* an annual event to raise awareness about the simple things we can all do to reduce our impact on the environment.

As part of the team's *Recycle and End-of-Plastic Campaign* staff are using "keeper cups" for takeaway coffee and tea and have been given reusable shopper bags in support of the plastic-bag ban implemented by local supermarkets. These welcome additions will provide staff with eco-friendly items they can use in their daily lives to help reduce their waste footprint.

Heather Paterson, Customer Relationship Manager, said Regional Imaging was committed to adopting green practices and improving the sustainability of its imaging clinics.

"In four years Regional Imaging has reduced its use of hard copy film by 75%. Using advances in digital imaging technology we now send images and reports to local GPs and specialists quickly and efficiently through the internet. This has dramatically decreased the amount of hard copy film that could end up in landfill.

"Providing staff with reusable bags and keeper cups was a natural progression to our film reduction efforts and is another way for our team to conserve resources and eliminate unnecessary waste," Ms Paterson added.

Regional Imaging also recycles old staff uniforms through a partnership with The Smith Family, preventing unused uniforms from becoming landfill textile waste. Once sorted the uniforms are distributed to overseas partners in regions including Africa and the Pacific Islands.

For more information about Keep Australia Beautiful Week please visit <u>http://kab.org.au/keep-australia-beautiful-week/</u>.

Regional Imaging can be contacted on 02 6022 5200 and has four locations in the Border region including Ramsay Place in Albury, the Albury Wodonga Health - Albury Campus, and clinics in Wangaratta and Yarrawonga.

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About Regional Imaging

Regional Imaging has clinics across regional Australia and offers a comprehensive range of medical imaging services including x-ray, CT, MRI, ultrasound, mammography, interventional procedures and nuclear medicine scans.



Regional Imaging is part of the I-MED Radiology Network, Australia's largest medical imaging network. Our 200 clinics are located in metropolitan as well as many regional and rural communities across Australia.

Our team of more than 300 radiologists, including some of the most respected and experienced medical imaging specialists in Australia, performs more than 4.2 million patient procedures each year. We encourage and facilitate sharing of clinical knowledge and expertise, and can provide second opinions in complex cases without delay. Our commitment to quality means we invest in the most up-to-date equipment to provide the best diagnostic imaging. Patient images can be stored indefinitely and can be accessed from any of our clinics across Australia.

We recognise that many of our patient procedures require sensitive management, and we are dedicated to offering our patients quality care that is respectful, personable and focused on achieving the best health outcomes, visit <u>www.regionalimaging.com.au</u>.

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