

HealthLAB on display during National Science Week

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Menzies School of Health Research (Menzies) HealthLAB will be in Milingimbi today as part of National Science Week.

HealthLAB are will be teaming up with the Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation to showcase their interactive educational health laboratory outside the Malmalharra Health Centre, Milingimbi.

Associate Professor Heidi Smith-Vaughan HealthLAB Director says we will be providing access to interactive health monitoring, and advice on making healthy lifestyle choices whilst in Milingimbi.

We urge everyone to drop in and meet the team, get your heart rate monitored, check your muscle mass and even see your heart beating as we have a sonographer in the team.

There has been some fabulous community support particularly the local ALPA store coming on board to provide water and healthy food during our visit.

On Thursday August 15, HealthLAB will be at Parliament House Darwin hosted by Madame Speaker Kezia Purick, so it will be interesting to put some of our politicians and their staff through some healthy lifestyle checks, we are in the main hall, so anyone can come in and visit" said A/Prof Smith-Vaughan.

The Menzies HealthLAB will round out National Science Week on Sunday August 18 at the Discover CDU Open Day with guests Shannon Rioli and Phillip Wills from NT Thunder.

National Science Week is Australia's annual opportunity to meet scientists, discuss the hot topics, do science and celebrate its cultural and economic impact on society.

First held in 1997, National Science Week has become one of Australia's largest festivals. Last year saw a staggering 1.2 million people participate in over 2100 events and activities.

National Science Week 2019 will run from 10-18 August. Event details can be found at www.scienceweek.net.au.

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