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Melody Miles with the award as Lex McCulloch and Yasmin Naglazas look on

Top marks for safety

Bethesda Hospital is the only WA hospital to receive a WorkSafe platinum certificate in the past six years.

Worksafe Commissioner Lex McCulloch presented it to hospital CEO Yasmin Naglazas on Thursday, February 20.

To achieve it, the hospital had to achieve 90% or more in management commitment, planning,

consultation, hazard management, training and supervision, as well as an annual reduction in lost time for injury.

Bethesda occupational safety and health manager Melody Miles said: "Achieving platinum level is a challenging task, particularly for hospitals, given the nature of the work we do.

"It takes an ongoing commit-

ment by everyone at Bethesda Hospital to keep our injuries at a low rate, with our ultimate goal being to achieve and maintain a rate of zero injuries."

The hospital has also ranked at the top of HBF and Medibank patient satisfaction surveys and last year received the WHO Asia Pacific Hand Hygiene Excellence Award.