Communiqué WA Country Health Service Board

This communiqué highlights key discussions and considerations from the Board's meeting.

September 2017 Board Meeting

The Board Meeting was held on Friday 22 September 2017 at the WA Country Health Service central office 189 Wellington St Perth.

The Board received reports from the Audit and Risk Committee and the Finance Committee which met on 11 and 18 September respectively.

Attendance

Prof Neale Fong (Chair)
Ms Wendy Newman (Deputy Chair)
Mr Alan Ferris
Dr Kim Isaacs
Mr Joshua Nisbet

Ms Mary Anne Stephens Ms Meredith Waters Dr Daniel Heredia Mr Michael Hardy

Apology - Nil

Key matters for decision

- Reviewed and endorsed the WACHS 2016–17 Annual Report.
- Endorsed WACHS Performance Report against the 2016–17 Department of Health (DoH) Service Agreement.
- Endorsed the WACHS Performance Report against the 2016–17 Mental Health Commission Service Agreement.
- Endorsed the post State Budget Deed of Amendment to the WACHS 2017–18 Service Agreement with the Department of Health.

Key matters for discussion

- The Chief Executive's report provided an update on monthly performance and key developments within WACHS, the outcomes of the State Budget and details on reviews being conducted across the WA Health system and broader government sector.
- The Board met and held discussions with Robyn Kruk AM, the lead for the Sustainable Health Review.
- The Board was provided with a presentation on procurement reforms and a number contract savings achieved.
- A discussion was held on staff working in isolation in remote locations and an action plan being implemented to improve staff security in high risk remote locations.
- The Board received updates on the development of the WA Country Ambulance Strategy and the planning underway to implement the funded State election commitments.

Summary of items for noting

- WACHS Organisational Standing Reports including:
 - Safety, Quality and Clinical Performance Monthly Dashboard Report
 - Workforce Assurance and Compliance Monthly Dashboard Report

- Health Service Performance Report (August 2017)
- Finance and FTE Report (August 2017)
- Audit and Risk Report (August 2017)
- Key Projects and Initiatives Report (September 2017)
- Capital Infrastructure Report (September 2017).
- · General Items for noting included:
 - A presentation provided to the System Manager on WACHS performance
 - WA Health Excellence Awards 2017 WACHS Nominations
 - WA Government Service Priority Review Interim Report.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be part of a two-day regional engagement visit to Karratha on 26 and 27 October 2017.

Professor Neale Fong
Chair, WA Country Health Service Board
29 September 2017



WACHS Board Chair and members with the CE signing the WACHS 2017–18 Service Agreement – Post Budget Deed of Amendment.