



Communiqué **WA Country Health Service Board**

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

June 2017 Board Meeting

The Board Meeting was held on Friday 23 June 2017, at the WA Country Health Service central office 189 Wellington St Perth.

The Board received reports from the Audit and Risk Committee which met on the 12 June 2017 and the Finance Committee which met on the 19 June 2017.

Attendance

Dr Neale Fong (Chair)	Mr Joshua Nisbet
Ms Wendy Newman (Deputy Chair)	Ms Mary Anne Stephens
Mr Michael Hardy	Ms Meredith Waters
Dr Kim Isaacs - via video conference	Dr Daniel Heredia

Apology – Mr Alan Ferris

Key Matters for Decision

- The Board endorsed the signing of the WA Country Health Service 2017/18 Service Agreement with the Department of Health.
- The WACHS 2013/14 and 2014/15 Write Off schedules were endorsed.
- Piloting a 'Promoting Professional Accountability' quality program at Bunbury Hospital was supported, subject to procurement processes and budget availability.

Key Matters for Discussion

- The A/Chief Executive Officer's report provided an update on monthly performance, senior staff movements and key developments within WACHS, with the Board particularly acknowledging the achievement of organisational wide accreditation following the independent Corporate EQUiP survey in May 2017;
- The draft WA Country Health Service Country Cancer Strategy was discussed and support provided for further external consultation with stakeholders;
- The Board discussed proposed changes to the WACHS Royalties for Region funded programs and in particular the recently announced changes to the Southern Inland Health Initiative program in 2017 to 2019;
- The State Government's Election commitments relating to country health services were discussed along with initial implementation planning for these initiatives;
- A progress report was received on Bunbury Hospital's emergency access (WEAT) recovery plan and the significant progress on implementing the plan and performance improvement was acknowledged;
- The next steps in the development of the WACHS Strategic Plan for 2018/2021 were considered and discussed, along with the process for engagement with staff and stakeholders;



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 (May)
 - Finance and FTE Report (May)
 - Audit and Risk Report (May)
 - Key Projects and Initiatives Report (May)
 - Capital Infrastructure Report (May).

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Friday 28 July 2017, in Perth.

Dr Neale Fong

Chair, WA Country Health Service Board

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