



## **Communique**

### **Child and Adolescent Health Service**

This communique highlights key discussions from the Board's October 2019 meeting as well as other important information.

### **October 2019 Board Meeting**

The ninth Board Meeting for 2019 was held on 25 October 2019 at the Perth Children's Hospital (PCH).

#### **Patient Experience**

The Board discussed a Ministerial complaint and noted the patient experience and the CAHS' response.

The Board received reports from its four Standing Committees as follows:

#### **Safety and Quality**

- The Board noted that the Safety and Quality Committee is concerned about mandatory cybersecurity training and the outcome of the recent phishing exercise.
- The Board noted the Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) Score Card and considered the indicators that may be valuable to the Board or its committees, and agreed that trend data is more valuable but that the broader range of indicators were desirable.
- The Board also noted that the Safety and Quality Committee has requested an operational plan for safety and quality from the CAHS Executive.
- The Board discussed the requirements of the second edition of the National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards, noting that mock accreditation is commencing 29 October 2019.

#### **Finance**

- The Board noted the finance report to 30 September 2019.
- The Board noted the CAHS Risk (High and Extreme) with Finance Focus as at 14 October 2019 summary, and that the Finance Committee considered the completeness of the risks and was satisfied that list reflected the finance related risks with a high and extreme risk rating.
- The Board endorsed the process of an annual CAHS Forward Lease/Licence Plan (each October Finance Committee meeting), with subsequent quarterly update reports to be tabled at the respective Finance Committee meetings thereafter. The quarterly update will identify any changes or deviations (relating to leasing costs, terms and new leases etc.) from the CAHS Forward Lease/Licence Plan for the Committee to note and provide direction as required.
- The Board endorsed changes to the CAHS Authorisations and Delegations Schedule resulting from the changes to approval for leases and licences.

- The Board endorsed the amendment to Section 7.5 of the CAHS 2019-20 Service Agreement and affix its common seal in accordance with section 41 of the *Health Services Act 2016 (WA)* to the letter from the Director General, Department of Health, outlining the amendment.
- The Board approved a number of requests for the release of information by way of Section 28 of the *Freedom of Information Act 1992 (WA)*.

### **Audit and Risk**

- The Board endorsed the CAHS Integrity and Ethical Governance Framework out-of-session on 7 October 2019.
- It was noted that the Audit and Risk Committee will consider the following items when closing out the OAG audit findings in respect of medical practitioner elections and billing:
  - education of Arrangement A medical practitioners and their obligations; and
  - the mechanics of capturing information to make the process less cumbersome.

### **People, Capability and Culture Committee**

- It was noted that the People, Capability and Culture Committee will consider the workforce model and demand for intensive care nursing as part of sustainable health care.

### **Aboriginal Health**

The Chief Executive spoke about the Boardwalk to Bentley Aboriginal Health on 22 October 2019, which highlighted gaps in CAHS' services, including the need for CAHS to address cultural security and awareness.

He also spoke about the excellent Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing Festival which he and the Board Chair had attended organised in part by CAMHS in the City of Armadale. The Board Chair and the Director Aboriginal Health also reflected on the Gwynne Park event.

### **Presentations**

The Board received a presentation on planning for the Midland Hub from Mr Alan Kuipers-Chan, Clinical Infrastructure Lead, QEII Medical Centre and Ms Sue Kiely, A/Director, Strategy and Planning.

### **Reflecting on Values**

- The Board reflected on the values informing decision-making in the meeting.

### **Next Meeting**

The Board will meet again on Friday 22 November 2019.

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Child and Adolescent Health Service  
29 October 2019