



Communique

Child and Adolescent Health Service

This communiqué highlights key discussions from the Board's May 2021 meeting as well as other important information.

May 2021 Board Meeting

The fourth Board Meeting for 2021 was held on 6 May 2021 in the PCH Boardroom.

Consumer Experience

The Board noted a report on consumer feedback from the Emergency Discussion and CAHS' response.

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

Safety and Quality

The Board RESOLVED to request the Audit and Risk Committee to examine WA Health risk assessment tables in relation to the weighting of clinical risk.

The Board noted:

- an action relating to the naming of clinical audits in clinical registries, which the Chair of the Committee addressed; and
- there is work being undertaken to address the gaps identified in the mock accreditation report.

Finance

The Board RESOLVED to endorse:

- the commercialisation of the pharmaceutical production at the Auspman facility; and
- the write-off of irrecoverable debt totalling \$140,604.30.

It was noted that the Board Chair wrote to the HSS Chair seeking assurance from HSS that procedures have been amended to prevent overpayments.

The Board noted that that two risks have been reduced from High to Medium: 0007 (Inability to provide community child health and child development services in Armadale due to CAHS' Eviction from Armadale Hospital); and 0012 (Critical Service Interruptions due to a failure to provide safe and fit for purpose community facility for Bentley CDS).

Audit and Risk

The Board RESOLVED to endorse:

- the closure of External Audit action in respect of Recommendation 1 of the Control of Monies Held for Specific Purposes audit report (OAG, 2020);
- the closeout of the Internal audit actions in respect of the Clinical Management Audit;
- the Committee/Board responsibility for the Strategic Risks;
- the renewal of the Directors and Officers Insurance for 2021-22;
- the CAHS Risk Appetite Statement; and
- the amended Strategic Risk 9 'Sustainability of Core Services'.

The Board noted:

- the Audit and Risk Committee's concerns regarding timeliness of closing actions and have requested a report to June 2021 meeting;
- the Audit and Risk Committee's concern regarding overdue high and extreme Treatment Action Plans and controls that are not in place and that the Executive is working toward a plan to address; and
- that Executive and Audit and Risk Committee and considers that the insurance coverage is adequate.

People, Capability and Culture Committee

The Board noted there had been no meeting in the previous month.

Chief Executive update

The Board received a substantial report from the CE including:

- the unexpected death in the Emergency Department;
- emergency access demand initiatives;
- staff morale;
- Your Voice in Health;
- global shortage of sterilisation wraps;
- COVID-19 response and vaccination program;
- Ministerial Taskforce;
- Midland Community Hub Project;
- CAHS TV documentary;
- emerging risks (Gender Diversity Service; CAMHS; COVID vaccination program; nursing workforce);
- accreditation;
- cladding;
- CAMHS; and
- the CAHS Balanced Scorecard, including WEAT and WEST figures.

Clinical Advisory Group

The Board noted the appointment of a new member from Community Health, Ms Breanna Hill, coordinator physiotherapist.

Reflecting on Values

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

Next Meeting

The Board will meet again on Thursday 3 June 2021.

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Child and Adolescent Health Service
11 May 2021