



## **Communiqué**      **WA Country Health Service Board**

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

### **April 2018 Board Meeting**

The Board Meeting was held on Friday 27 April 2018, and included a visit to the new Perth Children's Hospital. The Board was impressed by the level and quality of facility that has been built. This new hospital will no doubt be an outstanding asset for Western Australia for many years to come and it will enhance the tertiary level health services available to our children.

The Board received reports from the Audit and Risk Committee and the Finance Committee which met on 16 and 21 March respectively.

### **Attendance**

Ms Wendy Newman (Deputy Chair)

Mr Alan Ferris

Dr Kim Isaacs

Ms Mary Anne Stephens

Ms Meredith Waters

Dr Daniel Heredia (Via VC)

Mr Michael Hardy

Apology – Prof. Neale Fong, Mr Joshua Nisbet

In Attendance – Jeff Moffet, CE

### **Key Matters for Decision**

- The Board reviewed and supported WACHS response to the Sustainable Health Review, interim report.
- Reviewed and endorsed the clinical governance framework.
- The Board was briefed on and supported an interim strategy to improve the process for transferring country mental health patients to metropolitan emergency departments and inpatient sites.

### • **Key Matters for Discussion**

- The Chief Executive's report provided an update on monthly performance, projections and key developments within WACHS over the past month;
- The Board was briefed and discussed the status and risks associated with potential delays in obtaining a replacement to the current Medical Accounts Assessment System used to process visiting medical practitioner claims.
- The Board was briefed on the realignment of existing and new Royalty for Regions (RFR) funded programs under a new Country Health Innovation program structure that will form part of the 2018/19 RFR budget allocation.
- The Board received a presentation from Deloitte on innovation and digital technology.
- The Board reviewed the status of implementation of the State Government's election commitments relating to country health services.

### **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
- Finance and Resources monthly dashboard.
- Health Service Performance Report (March 2018)
- Audit and Risk Report (April 2018)
- Key Projects and Initiatives Report (March 2018)
- Capital Infrastructure Report (March 2018).
- General Items for noting included:
  - WACHS Board schedule of key dates..

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held in Perth on the 18 May 2018.

Professor Neale Fong

***Chair, WA Country Health Service Board***

***4 May 2018***