



# BOARD COMMUNIQUÉ

This communiqué highlights key discussions from the recent WA Country Health Service (WACHS) Board meeting.

**28 May 2021**

The Board meeting was held in Perth at WACHS Central Office on Friday, 28 May 2021.

The primary focus of the meeting was discussion surrounding safety and quality performance, governance and culture, including focused discussion on the events arising at Perth Children's Hospital, recent coronial inquest recommendations, WACHS maternity services, and the Health Service Performance Report.

Additionally, the Board were provided with a comprehensive update on the rollout of the COVID-19 vaccination program.

During the meeting, reports were received from the Safety and Quality, Audit and Risk, and Finance Committees who met during the month of June.

## Members Attending

Dr. Neale Fong (Board Chair)

Ms. Wendy Newman (Deputy Board Chair)

Mr. Alan Ferris

Mr. Paul Fitzpatrick

Dr. Daniel Heredia

Ms. Kelly Howlett

Dr. Kim Isaacs

Dr. Diane Mohen

Ms. Mary Anne Stephens

Ms. Meredith Waters

## In Attendance

Mr. Jeffrey Moffet (Chief Executive)

Ms. Margaret Denton (Chief Operating Officer)

## Apologies

Nil

## Key Matters for Decision

- The Board endorsed the WACHS Consumer Engagement Strategy 2020-25 and the WACHS Kidney Health Strategy 2021-26.

## Key Matters for Discussion

- The Chief Executive's report provided an update on performance, projections and key developments within WACHS over the past month.
- High level updates were received on:
  - Maternity services at Geraldton;
  - A proposed pathway for WACHS to develop a trauma informed workforce; and
  - The WACHS and Indian Ocean Territories Health Service agreement.

## Summary of Standing Items for Discussion and Noting

- WACHS Organisational Standing Reports including:
  - Health Service Performance Report
  - Safety, Quality and Clinical Performance Dashboard Report.
  - Workforce, Assurance and Compliance Dashboard Report.
  - Finance and Resources Dashboard Report.
  - Detailed Risk Review Report.
  - Progress Summary against the Audit Plan Report.
- Items for noting included:
  - WACHS Reprioritisation of activities 2021
  - New integrity measure – consent regarding the disclosure of Board Member information
  - HSS Strategic Planning Process

**Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be held in Kalgoorlie on 25 June 2021.

**Dr Neale Fong**  
**BOARD CHAIR**

17 June 2021