



# BOARD *communiqué*

20-21 FEBRUARY 2025

**This communiqué highlights regional engagement activities undertaken by the Board during their visit to the Wheatbelt and key points of discussion from the Board meeting.**

## WHEATBELT REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT

The Board explored the Wheatbelt region, spending time at health sites in Gingin, Lancelin, Jurien Bay, Eneabba, Leeman and Moora. The Board met with local staff, community members, government representatives, service partners and other stakeholders to discuss emerging regional priorities and challenges.

Across the sites visited, the Board noted security enhancements to infrastructure and listened to community feedback regarding local ambulance services and the need to maintain sustainable regional services.

The Board visited Lancelin Health Centre, which transitioned from a Silverchain nursing post in 2024, and met with staff to discuss the workforce model and additional supports provided through the WACHS Command Centre.

The Board held its meeting in Moora on 21 February 2025. Prior to the meeting, the Board had the privilege of joining the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Shire of Moora to tour the newly completed staff accommodation constructed by the Shire.





## BOARD MEETING

**The Board held its meeting at Moora Hospital on 21 February 2025.**

### Members Present or Online (\*)

Dr Neale Fong, Chair  
Ms Wendy Newman, Deputy Chair  
Dr Lorraine Anderson \*  
Dr Peter Campbell  
Mr Colin Holt  
Mrs Jodi Johnston  
Dr Catherine Stoddart  
Mr Jarrad Gardner

### Apologies

Mr Paul Fitzpatrick

### Ex-Officio Attendees

Mr Jeffrey Moffet, Chief Executive  
Mr Robert Pulsford, Chief Operating Officer

### Observer

Ms Rachele Ferrari, Executive Director Wheatbelt

### Secretariat

Ms Vicki Edwards (A), Director Office of the Chief Executive

### Regional Engagement

The Board visited Gingin, Lancelin, Jurien Bay, Eneabba, Leeman and Moora health sites in the Wheatbelt region from 20-21 February 2025.

The Board acknowledged the Yued and Noongar people as the traditional owners of the land in Moora.

### Key Matters for Decision

- Approved the Ministerial Statement of Expectations Quarterly Report for period October to December 2024.

### Key Matters for Discussion

- The Chief Executive provided an update on executive appointments, workforce development initiatives, service delivery matters, and the progress of key projects.
- The Board received an update on the transition of the Silverchain clinics.
- The Board was updated on the engagement and consultation phase of the WACHS Strategic Plan refresh, with opportunities for stakeholder feedback noted to be well underway.
- The Board discussed strengthening local health services through areawide program connections and principles.
- The Board discussed preparedness for accreditation against the NSQHS standards, with short notice assessment expected during the first half of 2025.

### Board Committees

- The Finance and Safety and Quality Committees did not meet in December 2024 or January 2025.
- An update was provided by the Audit and Risk Committee Chair, noting two meetings held since previous update.

### Next Meeting

- 28 March 2025 in the Goldfields region.

