



# BOARD *communiqué*

26-27 JUNE 2025

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

## KIMBERLEY REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT

Returning to the Kimberley region in June 2025, the Board visited health sites in Fitzroy Crossing, Derby and Broome.

In Fitzroy Crossing, the Board met with Nindilingarri Cultural Health Services before engaging with local staff at Fitzroy Crossing Hospital to view the four-wheel-drive ambulance, provided as part of the WA Government's commitment to the WA Country Ambulance Strategy.

The Board met with staff at Derby Hospital and local stakeholders where local training pathways and services, including the midwifery-led Derby Maternity Service, were discussed. Whilst in Derby, the Board visited Derby Aboriginal Health Service and viewed their new mobile consult room, designed to deliver clinics and health services to some of the most remote and vulnerable patients in the West Kimberley.

Local Broome staff surprised our Deputy Chair, Wendy Newman and acknowledged her birthday at morning break on the day of the Board meeting.





## BOARD MEETING

The Board held its meeting at the Regional Office, Broome on 27 June 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 Paul Fitzpatrick \*  
Mr Jarrad Gardner

### Apologies

Nil

### Ex-Officio Attendees

Mr Jeffrey Moffet, Chief Executive  
Ms Brooke van Blommestein (A),  
Director Office of the Chief Executive  
Mr Robert Pulsford, Chief Operating  
Officer Remote

### Observer

Ms Lisa Smith, Executive Director  
Kimberley

### Secretariat

Ms Vicki Edwards (A), Manager Board  
and Policy Governance

### Regional Engagement

The Board visited Fitzroy Crossing,  
Derby and Broome in the Kimberley  
region from 26-27 June 2025.

The Board acknowledged the Yawuru  
people as the traditional owners in and  
around the town of Broome.

### Key Matters for Decision

- Board Statement of Intent in response to the Minister for Health Statement of Expectations.

### 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 transition of major health infrastructure projects to the Department of Transport and Major Infrastructure was discussed, noting six WACHS regional health projects transferred.
- The planned launch for the WACHS Strategic Plan 2025-30 was discussed alongside the Board's commitment to strengthen local health services and consumer engagement.
- An overview of winter surge planning and system flow activities across WA Health was provided to the Board and discussed.

### Board Committees

- The Audit and Risk Committee met on 17 June 2025. The Board discussed planning for a future session on cybersecurity for the Board.
- The Finance Committee met on 23 June 2025. The Board discussed the budget outcomes and the need for continued priority investment in staff accommodation.
- The Safety and Quality Committee met on 19 June 2025. The Board were provided with early commentary from the short notice accreditation conducted from 16-20 June 2025 across rural locations in the Wheatbelt, South West and Great Southern regions.

### Next Meeting

- 25 July 2025 at Grace Vaughan House, Shenton Park

