



Communique

Child and Adolescent Health Service

This communiqué highlights key discussions from the Board's March 2018 meeting as well as other important information.

March 2018 Board Meeting

The second Board Meeting for 2018 was held on 15 March 2018 at the Princess Margaret Hospital for Children (PMH), where the Board received reports from its three Standing Committees as follows:

Safety and quality

- The Board received an overview of safety and quality issues discussed at the Safety and Quality Committee meeting on 13 March 2018 which included:
 - information that if the performance audit into Aboriginal children's ear health by the Office of the Auditor General proceeds, CAHS will provide any assistance to the OAG;
 - work that is being done on discharge summaries.
- It was noted that at the Board Chairs and Director General meeting it was agreed that national hand hygiene target should be raised and that the Director General had undertaken to ensure it was raised, at least within Western Australia, by 5 percentage points.

Finance

- The Chair of the Finance Committee provided an overview of the issues discussed at their most recent meeting on 23 January 2018. This included:
 - work undertaken regarding the Activity and Financial Framework; Balanced Scorecard and Discharge Summaries and Coding.
 - the Service Level Agreement with Health Support Services (HSS).
- The Board resolved to sign the 2017/2018 Service Level Agreement with the HSS
- The Board approved and adopted the revised Terms of Reference of the Finance Committee.

Audit and Risk

- The Board received an overview from the Audit and Risk Committee including preparation for the external audit by the Office of the Auditor General and the commencement of internal auditors in the week beginning 19/03/2018.
- The Board noted the resignation of Brendan Ashdown as Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee, and thanked him for his work on the Committee. Mr Ashdown will remain on the Committee.

- The Board then resolved to appoint Anne Donaldson as Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee.

The Board also received reports from its two Special Purpose Working Groups/Committees as follows:

Review Oversight Committee

- The Board received an overview of the progress of the implementation of the recommendations from the external PMH Review.
- The Board also discussed initial applications to the Clinical Advisory Group.

PCH Governance Transition Working Group

- The Board received an overview of the progress towards the transfer of the governance of the PCH to the CAHS Board including noting a number of the governance documents.
- The Board resolved to enter into the Facilities Management Service Level Agreement and the Defect Liability Period MOU.

Next Meeting

The Board will meet again on 19 April 2018.

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15 March 2018