



## COMMUNIQUE

### CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH SERVICE BOARD

This Communique highlights key discussion from the Child and Adolescent Health Service Board's December 2022 meeting as well as other important information.

The eleventh Board meeting for 2022 was held on 1 December 2022 at Perth Children's Hospital Boardroom and via MS Teams

#### **Consumer Engagement**

The minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee and Consumer Advisory Committee were noted and discussed the Complaints and Compliments report as tabled.

The Board discussed the breadth of consumer groups within CAHS and the existing governance for these groups with further information requested to enable targeted support for consumer engagement groups within CAHS.

#### **Safety & Quality**

The Board discussed the clinical incidents as tabled and were provided updates regarding management of security services within PCH, a review of care coordination, food safety and access to suitable meal options at PCH. The Board also discussed changes to Duty of Candour legislation in Victoria and the implications for WA, enhancements to the clinical incident management and CAHS preparation for Short Notice Assessments as per ACSQHC advice.

#### **Key Reports**

##### **1. Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services**

Key items of discussion included:

- Facilitation of discharge for children on 5A and ongoing enhancements to infrastructure and security services; and
- ICA Taskforce progress including development of 12 Models of Care, project priorities and communication with the wider community.

##### **2. Community Health**

Key items of discussion included:

- discussions with WACHS and Department of Education regarding the Personal Care in Schools program and launch of the School Health Program Guides;

- attendance at the CDS Parliamentary Select Committee for the A/CE and EDCH; and
- risk deep dive into Child Development Service Wait list times.

### **3. Perth Children’s Hospital and Neonatology Services**

Key items of discussion included:

- PCH capacity with initiatives to support improvement including extending day surgery, utilisation of wearable devices to support early discharge, and planning to increase ambulatory care and Hospital in the Home services;
- workforce availability including impact of ANF industrial action and COVID;
- submission of functional briefs for NETS and Neonates WA as part of the Women and Newborns Redevelopment Project;
- patient flow focusing on Category 3 triage patients; and
- engagement between PCH and primary care services including communication of clinical care and discharge.

### **4. Procurement, Infrastructure and Contract Management**

Key items of discussion included:

- utilisation of PCH outdoor spaces by patients, families and staff;
- progress on the Midland and Murdoch Community Hubs projects; and
- fire remediation at KEMH

### **5. Nursing Services**

Key items of discussion included:

- progress update for the CAHS Reconciliation Action Plan;
- ongoing progress regarding the CAHS Nursing Capability Framework; and
- review of triage processes including the taking and recording of observations as part of clinical assessment.

## **cChief Executive Report**

The A/Chief Executive highlighted:

- release of the CAHS 2023-2025 Strategic Plan;
- development of the CAHS Transformational Plan;
- update of status regarding the actions from the Independent Inquiry into PCH;
- preparation for the release of the Coroner’s report into the death of Aishwarya Aswath; and
- release of a date for the Coronial Inquest into the death of Kate Savage and finalisation of recommendations related to the OCP Review into her death.

## **Board Committees**

The Board received reports from its Standing Committees as follows:

### **1. Safety & Quality Committee**

The Board noted the Safety & Quality Chair Report and draft minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022 meeting.

### **2. Finance Committee**

The Board noted the Finance Committee Chair Report and draft minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 meeting and discussed the submitted mid-year review submissions and endorsed submission of those likely to be supported by the Department of Health. The Board also referred the PathWest KPI report to the Safety & Quality Committee for consideration.

### **3. People, Capability and Culture Committee**

The Board noted that there was no meeting of the People, Capability and Culture Committee in November 2022

### **4. Audit and Risk Committee**

The Board noted the Audit and Risk Committee Chair Report and draft minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022. The Board endorsed Scopes for Internal Audits in Financial Controls, Fraud and Corruption Prevention and review of Clinical Holdings and Restraints

### **5. Clinical Advisory Group**

The Board noted the Draft minutes of the Clinical Advisory Group meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022 with key issues raised including PCH office space, nursing communication and hierarchical culture and support for the 2023-2025 CAHS Strategic Plan

### **Next Meeting**

The Board will meet again on Thursday 2 February 2023

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**BOARD CHAIR**

**CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH SERVICE**

22 December 2022