

North West
Hospital and Health Service
BOARD MEETING SUMMARY
AUGUST 2025

The North West Hospital and Health Board held its monthly meeting in Mount Isa on Tuesday, 26th August 2025.

The meeting was chaired by Board Chair, Cheryl Vardon AO and attended by eight (9) members of the Board: Thomas (Bill) Armagnacq, Tanya Arnold, Fiona Hill, Anne Pleash, and Loretta Seamer. Deputy Chair Prof. Eleanor Milligan, Tonya Murray, Dr. Marco Giuseppin and Dr. Mellissa Naidoo attended virtually.

The board received updates from the board committees, including:

- Board Executive Committee (Chaired by Cheryl Vardon AO)
- Board Audit and Risk Committee (Chaired by Dr Marco Giuseppin)
- Board Safety and Quality Committee (Chaired by Prof. Eleanor Milligan)
- Board Finance and Performance Committee (Chaired by Bill Armagnacq)
- Board Stakeholder Engagement Committee (Chaired by Anne Pleash)

The Health Service Chief Executive reported to the board on the operations and activity of North West Hospital and Health Service (HHS) for the previous month.

Other key agenda items discussed included, but not limited to:

- Financial Management and Capital Report
- Annual Report 2024-2025
- North West Health Equity Update
- AC60 Update
- Workforce, Culture and Work Health and Safety Due Diligence
- Strategic Risk

The Board and Executive Leadership Team will undertake a range of actions following the meeting to progress North West Hospital and Health Service's commitment to safe and high-quality healthcare.

During the Board meeting on Monday, 26 August, Board Members were pleased to host an Engagement Luncheon with local Elders. This special gathering provided an opportunity to listen to the wisdom and perspectives of Elders, strengthen cultural connections, and acknowledge their vital role in guiding community health and wellbeing.



On Tuesday, 27th August, Board Members, accompanied by Executive Director Remote Health and Services and the Chief Financial Officer, visited Dajarra and engaged in staff and community consultation. This visit allowed members to discuss local service delivery and gain a deeper understanding of health priorities and challenges in the region.



This summary of key issues discussed and decisions made are approved for publishing by the North West Hospital and Health Board Chair and does not form or represent any part of the meeting minutes.

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