

A Message from Cheryl Vardon Board Chair



Board Meeting Summary

Tuesday 28 March 2023

The North West Hospital and Health Board (NWHHB) held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, 28 March 2023, at Mount Isa. The meeting was chaired by Board Chair Cheryl Vardon and attended by seven (7) members of the Board, Bill Armagnacq, Cath Brokenborough, Dr Marco Giuseppin, Fiona Hill, David Keenan (Virtual), Jane McMillan and Dr Mellissa Naidoo (Virtual).

The A/Health Service Chief Executive reported to the Board the operations and activity for North West Hospital and Health Service (NWHHS) for the last month. This included updates on the Camooweal facility upgrades, disaster management, First Nations workforce, improved models of care and positive consumer feedback,

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

- North West HHS Travel Data a review of data as requested by the Board
- Workforce Culture and WHS Due Diligence including mandatory training and School-based traineeships
- Financial Performance including an update on funding models
- Cyber Security an annual update discussing processes and requirements
- RHD Recommendations an update on Rheumatic Heart Disease (RHD) recommendation progress

The Board approved the following:

- North West HHS Strategic Plan 2021-2025 (November 2022 Revision)
- 2023-24 NWHHS Budget Principles
- Framework for Safety and Quality Performance and Assurance

The Board received updates from the Board Committees, including:

- Safety, Quality and Clinician Engagement Committee (Chaired by Prof. Eleanor Milligan)
- Audit and Risk Committee (Chaired by Dr Marco Giuseppin)
- Finance and Performance Committee (Chaired by Bill Armagnacq)
- Executive Committee (Chaired by Board Chair Cheryl Vardon)

The Board and Executive Leadership Team will undertake a range of actions following the meeting to progress our commitment to safe and high-quality healthcare.









Prior to the meeting, on Monday, 27 March 2023, Board Finance and Performance Committee Chair Bill Armagnacq and Board Member Jane McMillan travelled to Dajarra, Cloncurry, McKinlay and Julia Creek to visit facilities and meet with staff.

Following the meeting, on Tuesday 28 March 2023, Board Chair Cheryl Vardon and A/Health Service Chief Executive met with Life Flight Regional Advisory Committee Chair Tony McGrady to discuss ongoing membership and cooperation.



On Wednesday, 29 March 2023, Board Members toured Mount Isa Hospital, visiting departments and meeting staff. The Board spent time with Junior Doctors and shared an informal luncheon.



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.



