



A Message from **Cheryl Vardon**
Board Chair



Board Meeting Summary

Tuesday 30 May 2023

The North West Hospital and Health Board (NWHHB) held its monthly meeting virtually on Tuesday, 30 May 2023. The meeting was chaired by Deputy Board Chair Prof. Eleanor Milligan and attended by seven (7) members of the Board, Bill Armagnacq, Cath Brokenborough, Linda Ford, Dr Marco Giuseppin, Fiona Hill, Jane McMillan and Dr Mellissa Naidoo

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 capital works funding, asset condition assessments, Office of the Health Ombudsman recommendations and recruitment. The Board acknowledged Nurse and Midwife of the Year Award Winner Janelle Stuart-Russell.

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

- **Telehealth Emergency Management Support Unit (TEMSU) Data** – a review of data as requested by the Board
- **Workforce Culture and WHS Due Diligence** – including an update on improved analytics
- **Financial Performance** – including an operating performance update and structured rectification plans
- **Liability Insurance** – a presentation on requirements
- **RHD Recommendations** - an update on Rheumatic Heart Disease (RHD) recommendation progress

The Board approved the following:

- Board Stakeholder Engagement Committee Terms of Reference
- Board Executive Committee Terms of Reference

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.

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Prior to the meeting on Monday, 8 May 2023 Board Chair Cheryl Vardon, Deputy Chair Eleanor Milligan and Finance and Performance Committee Chair Bill Armagnacq travelled to Normanton to tour the Normanton Hospital and spend time with staff. While in Normanton, Board Members also met with the North West Queensland Region of Council (NWQROC) Chair, Mayor of Carpentaria Shire Council Cr Jack Bawden.



Also, prior to the meeting on Monday 22 May 2023, Board Member Jane McMillan travelled to Doomadgee, Mornington Island and Burketown with A/HSCE Sean Birgan and other Executive Leadership Members to host an Employment Recruitment Drive.



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.