

Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Board

Thursday 5 May 2022

Level 3 Community Room, Queensland Children's Hospital

Dear colleagues and community members

The Children's Health Queensland Board held the May Board meeting onsite at the Queensland Children's Hospital. The meeting was chaired by David Gow, who recognised the organisational values and paid respect to the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we walk, talk, work and live.

The Board Chair thanked Ms Heather Watson for her contribution to the Children's Hospital Foundation (CHF) Board and advise A/Prof Martin Byrne has been appointed as CHQ's representative on the CHF Board as from 15 May 2022.

The Board received an update from the Health Service Chief Executive (HSCE) on a range of matters, including:

- COVID-19 Response and Recovery Plan Update
- Engagement with the Principal Commissioner of the Queensland Family and Child Commission (QFCC), around collaborating with CHQ to drive change and impact at the local community level.

Other key matters considered at the May meeting included:

- Reports from the Executive Leadership Team including: Operations and Finance Report; Patient Safety and Quality Performance Report; Workplace Health and Safety Report and Enterprise Risk Report.
- The A/Director-General, Queensland Health joined the Board meeting to discuss the systems priorities and learn more about CHQ's ambitions. The Board recognised the encouraging initiatives and thanked the A/D-G for his leadership.



- The Board received a presentation from the Child and Youth Mental Health Services team on their achievement of zero seclusions and the refurbishment of mental health facilities.
- The Executive Director of Allied Health and A/Divisional Director of Child and Youth Mental Health Services presented an update on the Clinical Services Redesign of the Eating Disorders Service across CHQ, including the completion of the Current State Assessment and commencement of Action Planning.
- The Board received a presentation from the Children's Advice and Transport Coordination Hub team and the Board recognised the team for the work they are doing to build networks and provide support other Hospital and Health Services.
- The Executive Director, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Engagement and the Health Equity Program Manager presented the finalised CHQ Health Equity Strategy to the Board. The Board approved the final *CHQ Health Equity Strategy 2022-2025* and commended the Executive Director, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Engagement and the Health Equity Program Manager on the outstanding First Nations-led *CHQ Health Equity Strategy 2022-2025*.
- The Board received a presentation from a parent on their child's CHQ journey and experience. The Board was appreciative of the insights shared and recognised the importance for the Board to hear from families and to understand the services CHQ is providing and how they can be improved.

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.

On behalf of the Board, thank you for your ongoing commitment to keeping our community safe.

David Gow
Chair
Children's Health Queensland Board



The CHQ Board: David Gow (Chair), Cheryl Herbert (Deputy Chair), A/Prof Martin Byrne, Suzanne Cadigan, A/Prof Simon Denny, Will Fellowes, Karina Hogan, Meredith Staib, Heather Watson and Ross Willims.

This summary of Board discussion and decisions made does not form or represent any part of the minutes of the meeting.

