

Board Meeting Summary

Thursday, 6 June 2024

Queensland Children's Hospital

Dear colleagues and community members

The Children's Health Queensland (CHQ) Board held its June meeting at the Queensland Children's Hospital (QCH). The meeting was chaired by Heather Watson. Heather paid respect to the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we walk, talk, work and live.

The Board endorsed CHQ's continued agreement to the Statement of Commitment to South East Queensland (SEQ) First Nations Health Equity. The Statement of Commitment is between CHQ, SEQ Hospital and Health Services, Mater, the Queensland Ambulance Service, the Primary Health Networks of SEQ, and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Health Organisations that comprise the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health regional network.

The Board welcomed a discussion with the Co-Chairs of the Family Advisory Council. The Co-Chairs are consumer representatives who, together with the other consumer representatives of the Family Advisory Council, work in partnership with CHQ staff to provide advice and share the consumer perspective with CHQ staff on services across the organisation, including within QCH, Child and Youth Community Health Services (CYCHS) and Child and Youth Mental Health Services (CYMHS). The Co-Chairs shared their family stories, both highs and lows, with the Board and shared some of the insights and great ideas that have come through the Family Advisory Council.

The Board also discussed:

- The 2024 CHQ Excellence Awards and Medal of Distinction, which recognise and celebrate individuals and team who have lived the CHQ values.
- CHQ's Risk Appetite Statement.
- Three Year Strategic Internal Audit Plan 2024-25 to 2026-27.
- Service Delivery Statements, related to funding from the Queensland Government.
- The final draft CHQ Strategic Plan 2024 – 2028.
- Regular reports from the Executive Leadership Team covering operations and finance, nursing, and clinical governance.



During June, members of the Board joined members of the Executive Leadership Team and Divisional Leadership Team and visited the Outpatient Management Team as part of the Connect Four Pilot Program. The Connect Four Program provides an opportunity to celebrate successes of local teams and allow opportunities for feedback in a semi-structured format, fostering a safe and well work environment.

Some of the Board members also attended the launch of the QCH First Nations Family Lounge, held during National Reconciliation Week.

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.

Thank you to the Board members, Executive Leadership Team, CHQ staff and guests for attending and actively participating in the meeting. **Thank you for your ongoing commitment to keeping our community safe.**

Heather Watson
Chair
Children's Health Queensland Board



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