



Board Minutes

11 June 2020

1.20 to 4.08pm

Skype Meeting

1. Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair made formal acknowledgement of country and to this meeting being held on Aboriginal land and paid respect to elders past and present.

2. Present

Mr C Puplick – Chair ·
Mr K Barker ·
Dr P Abbott ·
Mr I Gillespie ·
Mr S Loveday ·
Dr M Sotiri ·
Mr P Dwyer ·
Dr R Shields ·
Ms M Eason ·
Ms A Churchill ·

A/Prof J Phillips ..
A/Prof C Quadrio ..
Dr K McFarlane ..

Invited Attendees

Dr S Hampton – A/Chief Executive ·
Mr C Scarreras – Representing Corrective Services NSW ..
Mr P O'Reilly – Representing Youth Justice NSW ..

In Attendance

Ms B Gillard ·
Ms L Willing ·
Mr R Anand ·
Ms J Buncombe ·
Ms W Hoey ·
Dr SJ Spencer ·
Dr G Nicholls ·

* Attended the Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network Administration Centre for the meeting.

** Attended the meeting externally via Skype.

3. Apologies

Mr G Forrest

4. Vale Philip Selth

The Chair paid tribute to Philip, a former Board member as a man of principle, respect and a true gentleman. Attendees observed a minute's silence.

Rest in peace Philip.

The Committee's Report also referred to the Network's identified risk of an unsuitable environment for aged patients and indicated its ongoing interest in the possible future modification of facilities through collaboration with Corrective Services NSW.

Action: The Aged Care and Community Reintegration Committee, in conjunction with relevant Network staff, will provide a report to the Board on the identification of ongoing funding needs and benefits for 2021/2022 and beyond prior to the December 2020 Board meeting.

- **Research Advisory Committee – Aboriginal Community consultation and ongoing governance**

Dr Abbott took the report as being read, and advised that a lot of work had been done in this area.

The Chair emphasised the importance of the continued relationship with the AHMRC and the Director of Aboriginal Strategy and Culture.

9. Strategic Items

9.1 Board Strategic Directions

Aboriginal Justice and Health Committee

This item was covered at item 8.1.

Aged Care and Community Reintegration Committee

This item was covered at item 8.1.

10. Standing Business Items

10.1 Board Chair Report

The Chair spoke to his report highlighting the following items.

- **COVID**

The Chair thanked Mr Dwyer for undertaking an analysis of the *Rowson v Department of Justice and Community Safety*, a Victorian case related to health agencies duty of care for people in custody. The Chair is satisfied the Network meets all requirements, especially in relation to infection control.

- **Board membership**

The reappointment of Mr Dwyer, Mr Gillespie and Mr Puplick has been endorsed by Cabinet. At his request the Chair was re-appointed up to June 2021, to allow transition of a new Chair. Other members were appointed to 2022.

The Chair inquired if any Board members were interested in the role of the Chair, or had any suggestions re suitable people to contact him directly.

- **Marmot Reports**

Information on the Health Equity in England: the Marmot Review 10 years on was provided to Board members for information.

<https://www.health.org.uk/publications/reports/the-marmot-review-10-years-on>

- **Cancer Australia**

The Chair was contacted by former Health Minister Julian Skinner in her capacity as a Board member of the Cancer Council to find out if JHFMHN might be willing to participate in a national lung cancer screening program. The Chair is awaiting formal

- **ICT**

The Network has experienced considerable instability in the use of clinical and corporate applications across our state-wide service. This matter has been raised with eHealth and a working group from the Network's Audit and Risk Committee is currently overseeing the risk management of this issue.

- **High cost medication**

Mr Loveday enquired if there would be a difference from a cost point of view if the high cost drugs were listed as S100 drugs on the PBS and if any advocacy has been undertaken for the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC) to list the drugs.

The Chair suggested the A/CE talk to the Ministry to ask they have made any formal representations to the PBAC and if not, the Network could seek community assistance.

Dr Nicholls advised that this matter could be discussed with Prince of Wales Hospital Oncologists as the specialists are able to lobby for these type of medications. It was noted that they lobby the Network to continue the care. This would then be a joint role for the Network and POWH.

Action: A/CE to discuss the matter with the Ministry.

10.3 Corrective Services NSW update

Mr Scasserra provided an update throughout the meeting on Corrective Service NSW matters related to the Network and provided thanks to the Network for their involvement in the successful build of the Field Hospital.

10.4 Youth Justice update

Mr O'Reilly provided an update throughout the meeting on Youth Justice matters related to the Network.

11. General Business

11.1 Board Sub-Committee Reports

11.1.1 Finance and Performance Committee

Mr Barker took the report as being read and highlighted the following:

- Year to date and full year results for this year are unfavourable to budget due the COVID related expenditure.
- Budget for NSW had been deferred to around September 2020.
- The government has said there will be no forced voluntary redundancies.
- Mr Anand advised that RFT for Freshwater House will go out next week with a return date of 24 July 2020. The construction agency will be finalised by mid August 2020.
- At the close of May 2020, the Network maintained the end of year forecast of \$3.3m. \$2 m. is due to COVID-19.
- The premium for next year's workers compensation is due to rise by around \$800k, however this is within budget.

11.1.2 Health Care Quality Committee

Mr Loveday highlighted aspects of his circulated report, noting that the HCQC:

- Had further improved reporting by having summary reports that drew attention to changes in risk, safety and other governance area that would be elevated for Board attention as needed.

13. Minutes of Committee Papers emailed to members 11 June 2020

13.1 HCQC – 3 March 2020

13.2 Finance and Performance Committee – 17 March and 21 April 2020

13.3 Audit and Risk Committee – 6 February and 15 April 2020

13.4 MDAAC – 6 February and 2 April 2020

14. Business without Notice

There was no business without notice at this meeting.

15. General Information

15.1 Adult population update – week ending 24 May 2020

15.2 Youth Justice population update – week ending 22 May 2020

15.3 Meeting with NSW Health Pathology Forensic Medicine Unit

15.4 Letter from CE to Commissioner CSNSW renaming facilities

15.5 NSW tobacco Control Work Plan (2019-2021) and the Staying Quit Project

15.6 Documents emailed to Board members for information - NIL

16. 2020 Meeting Dates

11 June 2020

Justice Health Olympic Park - Homebush

12 August 2020

Board meeting, Board Education and Dinner – Justice Health Olympic Park - Homebush

8 October 2020

Reiby Youth Justice Correctional Centre

10 December 2020

Justice Health Administration Centre – Malabar followed by APM