

# HSS Board Communiqué May 2022 Meeting

## **Key Discussion**

It was with great sadness that HSS learned of the death of Mr Johnson Mangar on Saturday 16 April 2022. Mr Mangar was a Registered Nurse employed by NurseWest. He was on his way to his first regional placement with the WA Country Health Service (WACHS) in Halls Creek when the light aircraft he was travelling in from Broome crashed while attempting to land at the East Kimberley Regional Airport. HSS has been in contact with Mr Mangar's family, offering extensive support during this difficult time as well as expressing our organisations deepest sympathies.

The Finance, Risk and Audit Committee reported to the Board following their meeting in April 2022. The Committee was fortunate to have two external groups present at the session.

- The Western Australian Country Health Service (WACHS) Finance and Audit Committee Chair, Mary Anne Stephens, and Chief Executive, Jeffrey Moffet joined the FRAC meeting to discuss WACHS and HSS HR, Payroll and Rostering controls.
- The Office of the Auditor General (OAG) Forensic Audit team presented to the Committee on their role in improving resilience to fraud and corruption across the WA public sector by conducting targeted, risk based, forensic audits that identify vulnerabilities to, and indicators of, significant fraud in State government entities.

The 2022-23 Service Level Agreement (SLA) was presented to and endorsed by the Board. The Board acknowledged the extensive redevelopment work undertaken on the Information Communication Technology (ICT) component of the SLA this year, including updates to the ICT Service Framework, ICT Service Catalogue and Cost Model as part of the ICT Role in Health *Joornanginy* project.

#### **Chief Executive's Update**

The Chief Executive provided an update on the key achievements and issues across HSS in April 2022. These included:

- The Joornanginy Program was officially launched with the business at an Organisation-wide Briefing on 8 April 2022. The Program's cadence is underway and there are 10 work packages currently in train.
- The HSS Procurement and Supply team has executed the majority of the PPE inventory strategy based on the revised COVID-19 modelling released by the Department of Health in late February 2022. HSS has adjusted most future orders to ensure adequate supply is available, while balancing expiry risk.
- The Office of the Auditor General is nearing the completion of a performance audit of the WA health system's COVID-19 contact tracing system known as PHOCUS. This report is expected to be tabled in Parliament in early May 2022.

#### **Board Reports and Papers noted**

The Board also received the following reports and papers for discussion and noting:

- Chief Financial Officer's Report
- Performance Report
- Chief Information Officer's Report
- Program Delivery Report
- Board Administration Report

## Attendance (via MS Teams and in-person)

Mr Michael Walsh (Chair) Ms Yaso Ponnuthurai Dr Paul Boyatzis Ms Margaret Pyrchla (Deputy Chair) Ms Amanda McKnight Dr Con Phatourous

## **Apologies**

Dr Rowan Ellis Ms Cheryl Chan Ms Diana Forsyth

# **Standing Executive Invitees**

Mr Robert Toms, Chief Executive Mr Sash Tomson, Chief Financial Officer Mr Ralph Bates, A/Executive Director, COVID-19 Ms Carolyn Peel, A/Executive Director, Customer Experience Ms Emily Pestell, Director, Office of the Chief Executive

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on 2 June 2022 at 140 William Street, Perth WA 6000.

Mr Michael Walsh
Chair, Health Support Services Board