

Communiqué

Health Support Services Board



This communiqué highlights key discussions from the recent HSS Board meeting.

4 June 2026

The Board discussed several whole-of-Health strategic issues at this month's meeting, including the purchase of the Mount Hospital under a services contract and the progress of the Mount Lawley Hospital commissioning and transition.

The Board was pleased to acknowledge a major milestone for the Human Resource Management Information System (HRMIS) Program, with the successful deployment of HRplus to the Mental Health Commission and the Health and Disability Services Complaints Office on 18 May 2026. This is an important step forward in modernising our workforce systems.

Key matters discussed at the meeting

The Board approved the HSS Strategy 2026–2029 for publication, and the extension of the 'Provision of Wide Area Network Connectivity Services' contract for one year.

The Board received important updates from the HRMIS Program, the Electronic Medical Record (EMR) Program, strategic ICT initiatives, and the HSS Program Delivery portfolio.

The Board also received updates on HSS' financial and operational performance for April 2026, along with an overview of the legacy Oracle E-Business Suite platform and an update on the proposed transition to a contemporary digital telephony solution across WA Health.

This month's personal reflection was shared by Pina Caffarelli, who spoke about Astrid Jorgensen, who turned a passion for music and a skill for audiation (the ability to "hear and think" music) into the worldwide musical phenomenon known as "Pub Choir". Pina is inspired by Astrid's ability to bring people together regardless of skill level to create something beautiful and reflected that Astrid demonstrates many important qualities of a leader – someone who is inspiring, supportive, inclusive, encouraging, and who leads by example.

Summary of standing items for discussion and noting

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

- Chief Executive's Report
- Chief Financial Officer's Report
- Performance Report
- Chief Information Officer's Report
- HRMIS Report
- Digital Medical Record/EMR Report
- Program Delivery Report
- Board Administration Report.

Attendance

Ms Margaret Pырchla (Board Chair)	Ms Pina Caffarelli	Mr Mark Donovan
Dr Con Phatouros (Deputy Chair)	Dr David McCoubrie	Ms Yaso Ponnuthurai
Mr Peter Mott	Ms Amanda McKnight	

Apologies

Dr Paul Boyatzis

Standing Executive invitees

Mr Giles Nunis, Chief Executive
 Ms Emily Pestell, Executive Director, People, Capability and Culture
 Mr Chad Martino, A/Executive Director, Transformation and Strategy
 Mr Sash Tomson, Chief Financial Officer
 Mr Ralph Bates, Executive Director, Customer Experience
 Mr Anthony Lenzarini, Chief Information Officer
 Ms Jodi Collier, A/Executive Director, Program Delivery
 Dr Sumit Sinha-Roy, Executive Director, EMR
 Ms Neha Patel, Executive Director, HRMIS

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 2 July 2026 at 140 William Street, Perth WA 6000.

Margaret Pырchla
Chair, Health Support Services Board