



Communique

July 2020 meeting of the East Metropolitan Health Service (EMHS) Board

The EMHS Board meets each month to consider and decide on any matters related to its regulatory and governance function.

This Communique aims to inform stakeholders of the work of the Board and provides an overview of items discussed. Due to the sensitivity of items not all are included within this Communique. Please forward it onto colleagues and employees who may be interested in its content. All Board Communiques can be accessed [via this link](#).

The meeting of the Board on 28 July 2020 was held in the EMHS Chief Executive Office Boardroom. The meeting commenced at 11.00am and concluded at 3.30pm.

The EMHS Board Chair welcomed new Board Member Pia Turcinov to her first meeting since commencing as a Board Member on 1 July 2020.

The EMHS Board welcomed the Minister for Health and the Director General to the meeting. The Minister spoke of several key areas; Your Voice in Health survey, CI23, Command Centre.

The Minister for Health and Director General expressed their thanks to all EMHS staff members for the excellent work during the COVID pandemic. The Minister also acknowledged Liz MacLeod's lead role in COVID and Sandra Miller for taking on the acting role of Chief Executive.

The Board also welcomed Senior Clinicians from Royal Perth Hospital to present on the Western Australia Emergency Access Target (WEAT) and provide an update on the new initiatives that have been implemented since February, including the Command Centre.

Chief Executive's Update

Liz MacLeod, Chief Executive provided an overview of the current areas of focus across the EMHS.

Board Reports

The Board received direct reports in response to the following matters and from the Chairs of the respective Board Committees regarding issues considered at their most recent meetings:

- The EMHS Board Safety and Quality Committee provided summary of the safety and quality metrics and key areas of focus for the committee.
- The EMHS Finance Committee presented the financial performance and activity. It was noted the results from the EMHS unaudited 30 June 2020 year-end financial statements which projected an overall positive position.
- The Board was provided with an update on the research collaboration activities undertaken by the EMHS Command Centre Project Team.
- The Board noted the number of applications received for the Royal Perth Bentley Group Intern Training program, including two Aboriginal applicants.
- In response to the Your Voice in Health Survey the Board received the further summary of the results and advised the EMHS action plan will be developed to progress initiatives arising from the 2019 survey and any new target areas.
- There was an update on EMHS progress of the Commissioner's Instruction 23 process

confirming EMHS current position.

- In response to the violence and aggression against staff work being undertaken with EMHS introducing body worn cameras for the EMHS Security Officer and the continuation of the closure until the end of the year of the RPH Thoroughfare.
- The Board Approved and submitted their Annual Governance Attestation Statement to the System Manager.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 25 August 2020

Mr Ian Smith

Chair, East Metropolitan Health Service Board