



Communique

March 2022 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 29 March 2022 was held in the EMHS Chief Executive Office Boardroom and via MS Teams. The meeting commenced at 11.00am and concluded at 3.30pm.

Chief Executive's update

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

Royal Perth Hospital (RPH) Redevelopment – Meetings have been held with the Minister for Health to have preliminary discussions on the EMHS proposal for the RPH redevelopment.

Stop the Violence Action Plan 2022 has been release across EMHS.

EMHS We are COVID Ready Plan – An overview of current activities and pieces of work occurring against the EMHS We Are COVID Ready Action Plan (100 Day Plan). An update on staffing levels impacted with COVID leave due to testing positive or close contacts.

Presentation

The Board received presentations from the Chairs of the Medical Advisory Committees (MACs) at RPH, BHS and AHS and Chair of the Clinical Staff Association – RPH.

The Chairs of the MACs provided an overview of current key items being progressed across the health services. COVID remained a focus for the Committees with health services managing patient load and the preparedness of each hospital to deal with current demand.

Discussions are being held with each of the MACs relating to a proposed EMHS Area MAC with feedback being provided on the proposal.

Board reports

EMHS Board received direct reports from the Chairs of the respective Board Committees regarding issues considered at their most recent meetings:

- The EMHS Board Safety and Quality Committee provided a summary of the safety and quality metrics and key areas of focus for the committee. The Committee noted the positive improvement on the Net Promoter Score across EMHS and the improvement in unplanned readmissions for mental health patients.
- The EMHS Board Finance Committee provided a summary of the key issues arising at the monthly meeting.
- The Board received a written update from the Executive Directors from Armadale

Kalamunda Group (AKG) and Royal Perth Bentley Group (RPBG) on key issues across the hospital sites.

- The EMHS Board approved the EMHS Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing Framework Action Plan 2022-2024.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 26 April 2022.

Mr Ian Smith
Chair, East Metropolitan Health Service Board