Darling Downs Health



Darling Downs Health Board Meeting 26 – 27 July 2021

Summary of the key issues discussed, and decisions made by the Board

A meeting of the Darling Downs Health Board (the Board) was held on 26 - 27 July 2021 at Baillie Henderson Hospital.

Monday 26 July 2021

The Board held a Workshop to discuss the progress of the New Toowoomba Hospital Redevelopment and to formulate strategies moving forward.

A Risk Appetite Statement Review session was also held and attended by all members for their input on their risk tolerance to achieve organisational outcomes.

The Board held an afternoon tea to thank our Finance Department for their continued hard work and the excellent end of financial year result.

Southern Queensland Rural Health (SQRH) held a Networking Event attended by all the Board at Baillie Henderson Hospital Campus.

Toowoomba and District Local Medical Association (TDLMA) and Darling Downs Health (DDH) Annual meeting was attended by all Board Members with presentations from:

- Shirley-Anne Gardiner, Executive Director Toowoomba Hospital TH Services and Capacity Management Initiatives
- Annette Scott, Silver Commander COVID-19 Response Vaccination Update

The meeting was well attended with representatives from St Vincent's Private Hospital Toowoomba, St Andrew's Private Hospital, Toowoomba Hospital and general practice.

Tuesday 27 July 2021

The Board meeting was chaired by Mr Mike Horan and attended by eight (8) members of the Board. A range of matters were dealt with at the Board meeting including:

- The Board received and noted reports provided by the Board Executive and Board Finance Committees.
- The Health Service Chief Executive (HSCE), Dr Peter Gillies provided a comprehensive report to the Board on the operations, activity and governance of Darling Downs Health (DDH) in line with identified service priorities and performance indicators.
- The Board discussed the Chief Finance Officer's report for June 2021 and noted the current financial position of the health service.
- The Board approved the following:
 - HSCE Relieving Arrangements
 - > 2021-22 Amendment Window 1 Deed of Amendment



- Occupational Violence Prevention (OVP) and Security Management Strategy 2021-2024
- > Fatigue Risk Management System (FRMS) Framework
- The Board received regular internal updates regarding:
 - > Work Health and Safety Performance
 - Infrastructure Report
 - Aged Care Report
 - Indigenous Health Update
 - Consumer and Community Engagement
- The Board received comprehensive presentations from:
 - Executive Director Toowoomba Hospital and Nursing Director Patient Flow providing an overview of multiple initiatives and strategies to improve Emergency Department Pressures and Patient Flow
 - Executive Director Infrastructure provided an update on the Kingaroy Hospital Redevelopment Stage 2 works, as well as an overview of the Toowoomba Hospital Redevelopment and Day Surgery Project.

A Thank You Luncheon was held for the Health Emergency Operation Centre Staff (HEOC) and COVID-19 Response staff in appreciation of their dedication and hard work.

This summary of key issues discussed and decisions made is approved for publishing by the Executive Committee of the Darling Downs Hospital and Health Board and does not form or represent any part of the minutes of the meeting.

