



DARLING DOWNS HEALTH BOARD MEETING

27 February 2024

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 Tuesday 27 February 2024 at the Dalby Hospital.

Monday 26 February 2024

The Board took the opportunity to tour the Oakey Hospital and Dr EAF McDonald Nursing Home in Oakey. The Board Members also met with staff members to thank them for their dedication to providing excellent patient care and health services to the Darling Downs Region. The Board toured the newly refurbished 'Sunset Garden' at the secure dementia unit.

Annette Scott PSM, Health Service Chief Executive, provided a comprehensive report to the Board on the operations, activity, and governance of DDH in line with identified service priorities and performance indicators.

Mr Matthew Boyd, Director of Nursing Oakey Hospital provided the Board with an overview of the Oakey Health Service, its challenges, and accomplishments.

Tuesday 27 February 2024

The Board meeting was chaired by Dr Dennis Campbell and Nine (9) Board Members attended. Mr Mike Horan, Board Chair attended virtually.

The Board received a presentation from Anna Tynan, Research Fellow on the Research Policy and the DDH Human Research Ethics Committee.

The Board also received presentations from Jane O'Donnell, Director of Nursing Dalby Hospital and Simone McDonald, Director of Nursing Karingal Nursing Home.

A range of matters were considered at the Board meeting including:

- Receipt and noting of reports from the Board Executive, Board Finance, Board Audit and Risk, Board Safety and Quality and Board Health Equity Committees.
- Discussion of the Chief Finance Officer's report for January 2024, noting the financial position of the Health Service for the 2023-24 financial year.
- Discussion and endorsement of the:
 - o Research Policy
 - o Aged Care Key Personnel recommendations
- Receipt of regular internal updates relating to:
 - o Work Health and Safety Performance
 - o Infrastructure
 - o Aged Care
 - o Indigenous Health
 - o Consumer and Community Engagement

