

## Meeting of the Board of the Western Sydney Local Health District

No. 2018/82

Date: Tuesday, 14 August 2018

Venue: Blacktown Hospital, B2Hub Boardroom

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# Minutes

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- Present: Richard Alcock (Chair)  
Jeremy Chapman (Deputy Chair)  
Diana O'Halloran  
Narelle Bell  
Jane Spring  
Don Nutbeam  
Kathy Baker  
Elizabeth Crouch
- Medical Staff Council: Chris Liddle (Chair, Westmead)  
Mark McLean (Chair, Blacktown and Mount Druitt)
- Ex officio: Danny O'Connor, Robynne Cooke, Barry Mitrevski
- Secretariat: Julia Millen
- Invited: Beth Kotze, Director, WSLHD Mental Health Service  
Luke Sloane, A/Executive Director Nursing & Midwifery  
Barry Shepherd, Chair Audit and Risk Committee  
Sam Sangster, Chief Executive Health Infrastructure
- Apologies: Michael Edye  
Andrew Bernard  
Jo Edwards  
Andrew Pesce
- Meeting commenced: 4.30pm
- Quorum: A quorum was met

### Item 1.1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed invited Board members and invited guests to the meeting of 14 August 2018.

### Acknowledgement of Country

The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered.

## Item 1.2 Declarations of Changes in Material Circumstances

Members were asked to declare:

- i. Conflicts of interest in relation to the agenda and
- ii. Changes in material circumstance.

*Action and decision:* No declarations of conflict of interest, nor changes in material circumstances were advised by Members at the WSLHD Board meeting held on 14 August 2018.

## Item 2 Strategy

### Item 2.1 WSLHD Mental Health Service update

Members noted the presentation of the WSLHD Mental Health Service update delivered by the Director Mental Health Services WSLHD (Director MHS).

The Director MHS referenced the WSLHD Mental Health Service Clinical Services Plan (CSP). Two central guiding policies inform plans for the future of WSLHD Mental Health Services - the Fifth National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Plan that sets out a vision for a national collaborative government approach to mental health policy 2017-2022, and the Draft NSW Strategic Plan for Mental Health, which includes a mental health workforce strategic plan. Two of the important features of the Fifth National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Plan are the emphasis on regional planning and the use of a decision support tool called the national health services planning framework.

The Director MHS noted the business case for the redevelopment of Cumberland Hospital. The major planning process for the business case to develop the Westmead-based component of the CSP for WSLHD MHS is well advanced and due for completion by 30 September 2018. The vision for the Mental Health Service is for the creation of a whole-of-life-span purpose-built mental health service on the Westmead precinct with assessment, acute, sub-acute and non-acute inpatient capacity, and targeted colocation of prioritised community mental health services to promote transitional care. The Director MHS noted the Cumberland Hospital site is impacted by the construction of the Parramatta Light Rail (PLR).

The Director MHS discussed the Service's program based on the Creating Positive Cultures of Care Program and the Safe Wards Program.

The Director MHS noted the Service's connection with the Balnaves Foundation, a philanthropic organisation in funding of the unWired project. The Director MHS outlined the unWired project as a collaboration between the Service, the University of Sydney and the Foundation – a project about adapting wearable technology for young people with mental health conditions.

The Director MHS discussed suicide prevention and the evidence base for creating a community safety net, noting an effective community safety net incorporates activities that include raising awareness and countering stigma in a community, the development of community champions as gate-keepers to engage people who may be suicidal in conversations and linking them to services, highlights the central role of General Practitioners in identification of people with depression and other mental disorders, the

importance of schools in mental health promotion and early intervention, and the role of social media.

The Director MHS finished the update discussing consumer co-design and the feedback received from discussions with WSLHD Mental Health Service consumers, noting the voice of the consumers is very powerful. Consumer co-design and improved transitional care are central to the continuing reform program in the WLSHD Mental Health Service.

*Action and decision:* Presentation NOTED.

## **Item 2.2 Health Care Quality Committee (HCQC) Report**

Members received a verbal update from the A/Executive Director Nursing and Midwifery on clinical governance matters.

*Action and decision:* Members noted the update and thanked the A/Executive Director Nursing and Midwifery.

## **Item 2.3 Audit and Risk Committee Half Yearly Report**

Members noted the half yearly report delivered by the Chair Audit and Risk Committee providing commentary on committee activities throughout the year.

*Action and decision:* Presentation NOTED.

## **Item 3 Business Arising**

### **Item 3.1 Minutes**

The minutes were accepted as a true record of the 10 July 2018 Board meeting, with one correction..

*Action and decision:* Minutes ACCEPTED.

### **Item 3.2 Actions from meeting – 10 July 2018**

*Discussion:* Members were referred to the Register of Actions to note updates in relation to the actions tabled, actioned and outstanding.

*Action and decision:* The Register was NOTED.

## **Item 4 Standing Items**

### **Item 4.1 Chief Executive Report**

The report was delivered by the Chief Executive.

The new General Manager Westmead and Auburn has commenced in this role and will join the WSLHD Board as an ex-officio member from September 2018 meeting.

The Executive Director Operations provided an overview of the WSLHD operations reports.

Action and decision: Presentation NOTED.

#### **Item 4.2 Chair and Deputy Chair Report**

*Discussion:* Members were referred to the report.

Action and decision: The report was NOTED by Board Members.

#### **Item 4.3 Correspondence received 30 June to 31 July 2018**

*Discussion:* Members were referred to the correspondence report.

Action and decision: Correspondence NOTED.

#### **Item 4.4 Media updates to the WSLHD Board**

*Discussion:* Members were referred to the media updates report.

Action and decision: Report NOTED.

#### **Item 5 Committees of the Board**

*Discussion:* Members were referred to the Committee reports.

The following sub-committee of the Board provided written reports for the August 2018 meeting:

- Finance, Performance and Assets
- Medical Dental Appointments and Advisory
- Audit and Risk

Action and decision: Reports NOTED.

#### **Item 6 Appendices**

Members were referred to the Appendices.

Action and decision: Appendices NOTED.

## Item 7 New Business

### Item 7.1 WSLHD Internal Audit and Risk Management Attestation Statement

Members were referred to Item 7.1 the Internal Audit and Risk Management Attestation Statement for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 – Western Sydney Local Health District, for discussion and endorsement.

*Action and decision:* The WSLHD Board ENDORSED the Internal Audit and Risk Management Attestation Statement for the financial year 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 – Western Sydney Local Health District.

### Item 7.2 WSLHD infrastructure and redevelopment portfolio

The Chair welcomed invited guest, the Chief Executive of Health Infrastructure to the WSLHD Board meeting and further invited him to provide an update on WSLHD redevelopment projects and the redevelopment portfolio.

The Chair thanked the Chief Executive Health Infrastructure for his presentation.

### Next meeting

The next meeting of the WSLHD Board is scheduled on 11 September 2018 at the Integrated Project Office – Westmead Redevelopment, Westmead Hospital.

### Close

Meeting closed at 7:40pm.

Signed:   
(Mr Richard Alcock AO, Board Chair)