



# Health Support Services Board

# Communiqué

## March 2024 Meeting

### Key Discussion

The March 2024 HSS Board meeting began with Director-General Dr. J Russell-Weisz's farewell address.

Other discussions centred on important updates regarding the HRMIS Program and other major ICT programs, as well as reports from the People and Performance Committee and Finance, Risk and Audit Committee meetings held in February 2024.

### Chief Executive's Update

The Chief Executive provided an update on the key achievements and issues across HSS in February 2024. These included:

- HSS continues to support planning for the DoH-led Digital Medical Record (DMR) Program for the final group of DMR deployments.
- HSS has explored short, medium, and long-term initiatives to meet the objectives of recommendation 42 of the Independent Governance Review (centralised recruitment). HSS will shortly commence formally scoping this initiative.
- Formal support for the proposed plan to progress Recommendation 46 of the Independent Governance Review (expanding HSS role in centralised procurement), was gained from the Department of Health. Work is now underway to execute the plan in accordance with the agreed approach and framework.
- HSS is continuing to support the Department of Health led State Health Operations Centre (SHOC) Program through the HSS System Flow and Reform (SF&R) Program, which is tasked with delivering several transformation initiatives across the WA Health System.

### Board Reports and Papers

The Board received the following reports and papers for discussion and/or noting:

- Chief Financial Officer's Report
- Performance Report
- Chief Information Officer's Report

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- Program Delivery Reports
- Board Administration Report

## Attendance

Ms Margaret Pyrchla (Board Chair)  
Dr Aron Chakera  
Ms Amanda McKnight  
Mr Giles Nunis

Dr Con Phatouros  
Ms Yaso Ponnuthurai  
Mr Peter Mott

Dr Paul Boyatzis  
Ms Katina Law  
Ms Cheryl Chan

## Apologies

Nil

## Standing Executive Invitees

Mr Ralph Bates, A/Chief Executive  
Mr Robert Toms, Chief Executive  
Ms Alison Mann, A/Director, Office of the Chief Executive  
Ms Carrie Wilson, A/Chief Financial Officer  
Mr Jonathan Smith, Chief Information Officer  
Ms Judith Stewart, Executive Director HRMIS and DMR  
Ms Julie Mount, A/Executive Director, Program Delivery  
Ms Siobhán Mulvey, Executive Director, HRMIS  
Ms Emily Pestell, Executive Director, Transformation and Systems

## Next Meeting

Next meeting will be held on 4 April 2024 at 140 William Street, Perth WA 6000.

Ms Margaret Pyrchla  
**Chair, Health Support Services Board**