

Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Board

Thursday, 11 April 2024

Level 5 Seminar Room, Centre for Children's Health Research

Dear colleagues and community members

The Children's Health Queensland (CHQ) Board held the April Board meeting at the Centre for Children's Health Research. The meeting was chaired by Heather Watson. This was Heather's first meeting as the newly appointed Board Chair, having taken over from David Gow on 1 April.

Heather paid respect to the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we walk, talk, work and live and the Board welcomed two new members – Kara Cook and Inmaculada (Inma) Beaumont. The Board also acknowledged the contribution of past board member and former Chair, Finance and Performance Committee Ross Willims, whose term also concluded at 31 March 2024.

The Board held a workshop to further refine CHQ's new Strategic Plan.

The Board had a presentation from the CHQ Executive Director Strategy, Planning, Improvement & Innovation about the work that Queensland Health's System Planning Branch had undertaken in consultation with CHQ. The work related to a health needs assessment of acute paediatric services with a focus on Southeast Queensland.

The Board agreed funding changes allowed under CHQ's Service Agreement with the Department of Health and commenced consideration of the Service Agreement for the next financial year.

The Board also received reports from the Executive Leadership Team covering operations and finance, workplace health and safety, and clinical governance.

The updated CHQ Board Charter, which specifies how the Board will conduct its business and the processes that are in place to ensure effective governance practice and alignment with governance standards, was approved.

The Board and Executive Leadership Team will undertake a range of actions following the meeting to progress our commitment to safe and high-quality healthcare.



On behalf of the Board, thank you for your ongoing commitment to keeping our community safe.

Heather Watson
Chair
Children's Health Queensland Board

