

Board Meeting Summary

Thursday, 6 August 2026

Queensland Children's Hospital

The Children's Health Queensland Board met in August at the Queensland Children's Hospital. The meeting was chaired by Heather Watson and began with an Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners.

At this meeting, the Board focussed on and considered:

- How the Board and Executive Leadership Team can continue to work effectively together to support strong leadership, good decision-making and the delivery of high-quality healthcare services.
- The use of digital technology and data to improve healthcare services, including opportunities and considerations relating to artificial intelligence (AI).
- The workplace health and safety obligations of the Board and Executive.
- Hospital performance, including patient activity, financial results, quality and safety outcomes, and preparations to manage demand during winter.
- Child safety initiatives, including policies and processes that support safe environments for children and young people.
- Future planning for services for adolescents and young adults, including how care can best support young people as they transition to adult health services.
- Regular reports and updates from the Chief Executive and Executive Leadership Team on major projects, priorities and organisational performance.
- Reports from its Committees, including Audit and Risk, Safety and Quality, Finance and Performance, and Health Service Executive.

During the meeting, the Board heard directly from a Queensland Children's Hospital patient and family about their experience of living with intestinal failure and receiving care through the Intestinal Rehabilitation Service. Board members acknowledged the family's generosity in sharing their story and reflected on the importance of integrated multidisciplinary care and support services for children and families managing complex and long-term health conditions.

In June, Board members joined the Executive Leadership Team and Divisional leaders to visit the Medical Imaging and Nuclear Medicine team as part of the Connect Four Program. This program is an opportunity to recognise the work of local teams and create a safe space for feedback and shared learning.

The Board and Executive Leadership Team will continue to progress actions to support the delivery of safe, high quality and person-centred healthcare services for children and families across Queensland.

The Board also reaffirms its commitment to providing safe, high-quality and inclusive care for all children, young people and families.

Heather Watson

Chair

Children's Health Queensland Board



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