Mackay Hospital and Health Service Board



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Board Meeting Summary

Meeting date: 17 January 2013

Key issues discussed and decisions made in the meeting included:

- Approval for Board and Hospital Executive workshop 19 February 2013.
- Approved that Board members will attend some of the Divisional meetings in March and April.
- The Board noted all Executive monthly reports and the verbal advice provided by the Chief Executive Officer. Noted the parking issues that are occurring across the hospital campus during redevelopment.
- The Board has been impressed with the number of saving strategies which have improved efficiencies, reduced costs and improved patient services.
- The Board accepted the report from the Finance Committee noting the current financial
 position, FTE and non labour budgets. The Board noted that the Inpatient activity was
 slightly down with medical services taking some of the load which was reflected on the
 Weighted Activity Units (WAU's).
- The Board acknowledged the work that the Chief Finance Officer has put into the
 development of the Budget Build template in preparation for the 2013/14 budget
 distribution. The Health Services are provided a budget which they must meet and it was
 noted that what occurred in previous years with government bail out will not be the case
 any longer. Mackay Hospital and Health Service have distributed a budget limited to the
 previous years spend.
- The Board noted that growth on staffing numbers has been capped and targets set as to how to reduce daily spend. Mackay is benchmarked against peers. The Mackay Base Hospital is classed as a Tier 2 facility.
- The Board noted that the whole organisation mantra is to find efficiencies and this message is to be pushed from the Executive level.
- The Board approved the minutes of the Patient Safety & Quality and Strategic & Service Planning committees. The Board approved that the Chair of the Strategic & Service Planning meet with the Mater Chief Executive Officer to explore community partnerships.
- The Board chair and CEO made plans to visit the Rural facilities later in the month of January.
- The Board noted that there was considerable media regarding rural hospital closures in another hospital and health service.
- The Board noted that 29 Interns commenced their internship.
- The Board were advised that recruitment had commenced for the two vacant Executive Management team. Expect an outcome to be advised March board meeting.
- The Board approved the assistance of Peter Sladden with Mackay Hospital and Health Service financial matters.
- The board noted that an upgrade of the Moranbah facilities would take place and that BMA were paying these costs.
- On 15 January the Deputy Chair attended a teleconference with the State Board Chairs and the Health Minister.
- The Board noted the Annual Work Plan and calendar for 2013 and accepted that it was a moving document.
- The Board recommended that a letter be written to the Federal Health Minister about the removal of \$3.2M from the Hospital budget.

