## Mackay Hospital and Health Service Board



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## Board Meeting Summary Meeting date: 27 March 2013

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Key issues discussed and decisions made in the meeting included:

• Mackay Health Service Plan was endorsed noting some discrepancies with the population figures provided in the report.

- The Board agreed to defer further development of the Acute Primary Care Clinic (APCC). APCC provides a service to patients not serviced by Mater Hospital after hours or GP super-clinic, however the clinic is not a cost neutral service in its current form. The community expects affordable, accessible, after hours health care.
- The Mackay Hospital & Health Service Strategic Plan 2013-2017 was endorsed by the Board for progression through to the Premiers Department for approval. Once approval has been advised the Plan will be posted on the Web site.
- The Board was able to advise the Health Minister that the Mackay Hospital & Health Service Board Members had no material personal interest in any consultancies, contracts or similar arrangement that have been let by the Board.
- The Board accepted all monthly Executive reports and verbal advice provided by the Chief Executive Officer.
- The Board complimented the Chief Executive and the Executive Team management on the current financial position of the Mackay Hospital and Health Service.
- The Board noted that extra shifts in surgery will be undertaken and that there will be a trial of extra shifts for other surgery to reduce the waiting lists.
- The Board were advised that Mackay Hospital and Health Service is currently well placed regarding National Elective Surgery Targets in the State.
- The Board were informed that to assist with patient discharges, physiotherapy will be covering the weekends. This will in turn assist with reducing bed block over weekends.
- The Board noted the information provided in relation to the External Audit process that will take place over the next few months in preparation for end of financial year close.
- The Board Chair provided a verbal briefing on his activities since the February Board meeting and included: attending the Quarterly Board Chairs meeting; interviews undertaken and offers have been made for the Executive positions of Chief Finance Officer and Director Rural Service ; on the Committee reviewing the Blue Print for Better Health Care;
- The Board listened to an informative session about Townsville/Mackay Medicare Local with focus on communication between the GP and the hospital.
- The Board were advised on matters regarding all the Rural Facilities.
- Board noted the advice in relation to the Clinical & Workforce Redesign Project that is currently underway with presentations being presented to Executive from four consulting firms.
- The Board congratulated the Executive on the employment of the 22 Nurse Graduates.
- The Board were asked to consider and advise the way to progress for future planning in respect of several major issues within the Mackay Hospital & Health Service.
- The Chief Executive Officer was asked to prepare briefings in relation to Home Dialysis.

