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Board Meeting Summary

Meeting date: Thursday 26 March 2015

Location: Mackay Board Room

Attendees: Colin Meng (Chair); David Aprile; Helen Archibald; Darryl Camilleri; Tom McMillan; Richard Murray; John Nugent; Laura Veal

Apology:

Invitees: Clare Douglas, Chief Executive

Matters dealt with at the meeting included:

- Approval of a proposal for the opening of a Short Stay Unit (SSU) at the Mackay Base Hospital for a 4 month trial period. The SSU will accommodate patients who require "a work up" before going home. Patients are inpatients admitted for 24 hours to see if they can be released or need to go into a ward
- Approval of a revised Board Committee structure. The Board Committees are as follows: Executive Committee (assisting the Board with strategy development), Audit & Risk Committee (assisting the Board in fulfilling its role in regards to oversight of risk and internal controls), Safety and Quality Committee (assisting the Board in its oversight of employee and patient safety and the quality of services) and Finance Committee (assisting the Board in its oversight of financial performance and budget).
- Review of a report prepared by Dr Gareth Goodier for James Cook University on the proposed establishment of a Tropical Australian Academic Health Centre (TAAHC). The aim of the TAAHC is to improve research into tropical diseases and translate this research into actions. It is also about education and recruiting in long-term quality staff. If the proposal to establish the TAAHC was agreed to by all relevant parties, Mackay HHS and the 4 northern HHSs would participate in the TAAHC in partnership with James Cook University.

Board Committee meetings were held over the past month. Board noted the minutes of meeting of the Finance & Audit Committee in March.

Finance

- February Finance Report

The Board Chair highlighted relevant meetings and events attended during the past month, including the HHS Chairs monthly meeting, the Queensland Health Investment Review Committee monthly meeting and the morning tea event to celebrate the opening of the new Education and Research Centre at the Mackay Base Hospital ('K' Block).

All Executive reports were noted and accepted by the Board.