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Chair

Board Meeting Summary

Meeting date: 18 July 2013

Key issues discussed and decisions made in the meeting included

Overview of end of year financial positions and positive outcomes for the HHS.

The Board were happy with the HHS meeting the activity targets set for the year.

The Board received a verbal overview from the Governance for Safety and Quality Committee meeting highlighting:

- Restructure of the Governance Unit has delayed progress with reporting against standards
- Accreditation self assessment scheduled to occur November 2013.
- Health Promotion and health literacy requirements for the HHS.

The Board noted the minutes from the Strategic & Service Planning Committee meeting with a focus on the perceived duplication of services of TMML and Mackay Hospital and Health Service. The bi-annual report on the health service plan indicates the HHS is tracking well. The Mental Health pathway has been developed and circulated to Headspace to assist with ensuring referral for primary care patients.

Nomination paperwork for the vacant board member position has been progressed through to the Minister of Health for approval. This is expected around 30 August 2013.

The Board Chair attended a session recently led by Senator Ian MacDonald on the vision for Northern Australia. Board were advised that considerable work has already been done by the Regional Development Board which is getting the attention of Canberra.

The Board Chair has held meetings with the Shadow Health Minister, Federal Minister Health & Ageing and local Member for Parliament in recent weeks. The Federal Minister Health & Ageing presented certificates to staff from the bone bank.

The Board were advised of the appointment of the DON for Clermont as Elizabeth Livingstone.

The Board advised that Mackay Hospital and Health Service has undertaken all Legionella testing across all facilities.

The Board were advised that in June 30,706 people were seen across the HHS of which 0.146% clients made a complaint. This is a good outcome for the Mackay Hospital and Health Service.