



# NMHS Board

## Communiqué

*This communiqué highlights key discussions and considerations from the NMHS Board meeting held on 29 October 2021 in the Noongar Season of Kambarang at Cancer, Imaging and Clinical Services Directorate of SCGOPHCG.*



*During the Kambarang season we see an abundance of colours and flowers exploding all around us. Many things are undergoing transformation with the warm change in the weather.*



Clinical Prof David Forbes AM  
Board Chair, NMHS

### **SCGOPHCG – Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital – Cancer, Imaging and Clinical Services Directorate (CICS)**

The Board visited Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital and received a very informative update from members of the Haematology Department highlighting growth in services and research presence and success. The Board were also taken on a tour of the SCGH Clinical Research and the Linear research facilities.

### **Minister for Health – Hon. Roger Cook MLA**

The Minister attended the meeting and provide the Board with an update in relation to the demands on health services, budgetary pressures and organisational culture, and reiterated that service quality remained the governments highest priority.

### **Board Committee Updates:**

The Board reviewed the minutes of its Committees and were provided with a precis from each Chair as follows:

- People, Engagement and Culture Committee highlighted
- Safety, Quality and Consumer Engagement Committee received a presentation from
- Finance Committee.
- Audit & Risk Committee.

These reports highlighted the increasing demand, staffing and budget pressures that NMHS is managing while working to maintain safe, high quality clinical care.

### **Board Chair and Chief Executive update:**

The Board Chair and Chief Executive provided updates which included the discussion of a number of topics including –

- Ongoing pressure on the system as a whole with capacity issues remaining at a critical level.
- Mandatory Vaccinations and the impacts this is having across the organisation.

The next regular meeting of the NMHS Board is scheduled for Friday 26 November 2021 and will be held at Public Health.

