



THE SENATE

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE

Accessibility and quality of mental health services in rural and remote Australia

**PUBLIC HEARING
Wednesday 29 August 2018**

**Ballroom
RedEarth Hotel, Corner Rodeo Drive and West Street, Mount Isa**

Time	Witness
9.30 am	Gidgee Healing Western Queensland Primary Health Network Mr Stuart Gordon, Chief Executive Officer (via teleconference) Ms Sandy Gillies, Executive Manager, Service Provider Commissioning
10.30 am	Morning tea
10.45 am	Anglicare North Queensland Ms Jodi Martyr, Program Manager Mr Saki Regunamada, Wellbeing Mentor Wesley Mission Mr Tony Cassidy, Group Manager, Wesley LifeForce Mr Tim Sussman, Researcher, Wesley LifeForce Mr David Kerrigan, Chair, Central West Suicide Prevention Network Centacare North Queensland Ms Heather Alexander, Director, Rural and Remote
11.45 am	Glencore Copper and Zinc North Queensland Ms Maryann Wipaki, General Manager Health, Safety, Environment and Community
12.45 pm	Lunch
1.45 pm	Centre for Rural and Remote Health, James Cook University Professor Sabina Knight, Director Dr Sharon Varela, Mental Health Academic Services for Australian Rural and Remote Allied Health (via teleconference) (Submission 21) Ms Karren Scholz, Member Psychologist Ms Christine Franklin, Member Ms Fiona Brooke, Director, Policy and Evidence
2.45 pm	North West Hospital and Health Service Ms Sandra Kennedy, Director Mental Health and ATODS Dr Herath Dhammika, Clinical Director, Mental Health
3.45 pm	Afternoon tea

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4.00 pm	Queensland Mental Health Commission (via teleconference) Mr Ivan Frkovic, Commissioner
5.00 pm	<i>Adjournment</i>