

APPENDIX 2

WITNESSES WHO APPEARED BEFORE THE COMMITTEE AT PUBLIC HEARINGS

Friday, 22 June 2007

Parliament House, Canberra

Committee Members in attendance

Senator Gary Humphries (Chair)

Senator Claire Moore (Deputy Chair)

Senator Judith Adams

Senator Lyn Allison

Senator Sue Boyce

Senator Carol Brown

Senator the Hon Kay Patterson

Senator Ruth Webber

Witnesses

National Rural Health Alliance

Mr Gordon Gregory, Executive Director

Rural Doctors Association of Australia

Mr Steve Sant, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Susan Stratigos, Policy Adviser

Australian General Practice Network

Mr Steven Morris, Senior Policy Officer

Kidney Health Australia

Ms Janine Bevan, National Manager, Health Programs, Government and Consumer Relations

Mr Wayne Stuart

Mrs Claudia Stuart

Palliative Care Australia

Ms Fiona Couchman, National Policy Officer

Ms Camilla Rowland, National Program Manager

Australian Nursing Federation

Ms Fiona Armstrong, Federal Professional Officer

ACT Government

Miss Megan Cahill, Executive Director, Government Relations and Planning, ACT Health

Ms Jacinta George, Senior Manager, Health Services Planning Unit, ACT Health

Department of Health and Ageing

Mr Richard Eccles, First Assistant Secretary, Primary and Ambulatory Care Division

Ms Sharon Appleyard, Assistant Secretary, Rural Health Branch

Professor David Currow, Chief Executive Officer – Cancer Australia

Thursday, 5 July 2007

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Alice Springs

Committee Members in attendance

Senator Gary Humphries (Chair)

Senator Judith Adams

Senator Claire Moore (Deputy Chair)

Senator Sue Boyce

Witnesses

Bosom Buddies NT

Mrs Liz Locke, President

Miss Joy White, Deputy President

Mrs Leslie Reilly, Secretary

Central Australian Division of Primary Health Care

Mrs Gonam Pillay, Team Leader, Mental Health Project Office

Northern Territory Divisions Network

Dr Jim Thurley, Medical Adviser

Australian Medical Association

Dr Peter Beaumont

Ngaanyatjarra Health Service

Miss Michelle Doyle, Patient Liaison Coordinator

Northern Territory Government

Mr Peter Campos, Assistant Secretary, Acute Care

Dr Lucy Firth, Director, Systems Performance, Acute Care

Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance of the Northern Territory (AMSANT)

Mr Simon Stafford, Senior Primary Health Care, Corporate Support Officer

Katherine West Health Board

Mr Sean Heffernan, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Joseph Cox

Ms Roslyn Frith, Board Member

Mr David Lines, Assistant Community Health Manager

Mr Jack Little, Honorary Board Member

Urapuntja Health Service

Mr Robin Blackburn, Chief Executive Officer

Nganampa Health Council

Mr David Busuttill, Corporate Services Manager

Ms Eileen Moseley, Hospital Liaison Officer

Board of Ampilatwatja Health Centre Aboriginal Corporation

Mr Paul Quinlivan, Administrator

Friday, 6 July 2007

St James Court Conference Centre, Melbourne

Committee Members in attendance

Senator Gary Humphries (Chair)

Senator Sue Boyce

Senator Claire Moore (Deputy Chair)

Senator Carol Brown

Senator Judith Adams

Senator the Hon Kay Patterson

Senator Lyn Allison

Senator Ruth Webber

Witnesses**GlaxoSmithKline**

Mr Alex Gosman, Director, Government and Corporate Affairs

Ms Sarah Stuckey, Policy Manager

Dr Gerard Cudmore, Associate Medical Director

National Aged Care Alliance

Mr Ian Yates

Dr Peter Ford

Ms Monica Lawrence (*via teleconference*)**Cancer Council Australia**

Professor Ian Olver, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Kate Thompson, Senior Social Worker

Breast Cancer Network Australia

Ms Terri Smith, National Policy and Advocacy Manager

Dr Wei Leng Kwok, Senior Policy Officer

Royal Women's Hospital

Ms Marg Darcy, Program Manager

Ms Anne Marsh, Manager, Family Accommodation Services

Mallee Division of General Practice

Mrs Michelle Withers, Program Services Officer

Western District Health Service

Ms Rebecca Morton, Coordinator - South West Community Transport Program

Ronald McDonald House

Ms Diana Dagg, National House Development Manager, Charities

Ms Jennifer North, Executive Officer, Monash

Mrs Adrienne Pearson, General Manager, Westmead

Ms Nikki Boyd, House Manager, Parkville House

Australian Rural and Remote Workforce Agencies Group (ARHEN)

Dr Kim Webber, Chief Executive Officer

Council of Social Services NSW (*via teleconference*)

Dr Dinesh Wadiwel, Senior Policy Officer

Ms Eileen Pica (*via teleconference*)

Ms Liz Scott, Committee Member, Health Consumers Voice, Northern Territory

Friday, 13 July 2007

Commonwealth Offices, Perth**Committee Members in attendance**

Senator Gary Humphries (Chair)

Senator Helen Polley

Senator Claire Moore (Deputy Chair)

Senator Ruth Webber

Senator Judith Adams

Witnesses**Western Australian Government**

Ms Christine O'Farrell, Chief Executive Officer, WA Country Health Service

Mr Ken Mills, Acting Area Director Corporate and Finance

Ms Sue Eslick, Manager Health Strategies

Cancer Voices WA

Mr Clive Deverall, Chair

Cancer Council WA

Ms Belinda Bailey, Director Cancer Services

Health Consumers' Council WA

Ms Michele Kosky, Executive Director

Mr Brian Charlie, Aboriginal Programme Coordinator

Carers WA

Ms Noreen Fynn, Chief Executive Officer

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

Ms Annie Collet, Welfare Officer

Ms Jan Hillenbrand, Welfare Officer

Princess Margaret Hospital

Ms Jennifer Mace, Acting Head of Social Work Department

Ms Sharon Patterson, Senior Welfare Assistant

Shire of Ashburton

Mr Keith Pearson, Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Sandstone (*via teleconference*)

Mr William Atkinson, Chief Executive Officer

CA Thompson Cocos and Christmas Islands (*via teleconference*)

Ms Charlene Thompson, Social Worker

Mrs Ali Norzaini

Kimberley Aboriginal Health Planning Forum (*via teleconference*)

Dr Carmel Nelson, Medical Director

Kidney Health Australia (*Accommodation Project Presentation*)

Ms Julie Edmonds, WA Area Manager

Monday, 23 July 2007

Grand Chancellor Hotel, Launceston

Committee Members in attendance

Senator Gary Humphries (Chair)

Senator Claire Moore (Deputy Chair)

Senator Judith Adams

Senator Sue Boyce

Senator Carol Brown

Senator the Hon Kay Patterson

Senator Helen Polley

Witnesses**Tasmanian Government**

Mr John Smith, Director, Resources and Systems Performance, Acute Health Services

Mr Tony Sansom, Manager, Planning and Performance Review, Acute Care Strategies and Reform Unit, Acute Health Services

Ms Peggy Tsang, Project Officer, Planning and Performance Review, Acute Care Strategies and Reform Unit, Acute Health Services

Mr Peter Renshaw, Director of Clinical Services, Launceston General Hospital

Campbell Town Health and Community Services Board

Mrs Margaret Crisp

Mrs Anna Lovitt, Board Member (Staff Representative)

King Island Multi-Purpose Centre Advisory Committee (*via teleconference*)

Mr David Brewster, Chairman

Mr Andrew Wardlaw, General Manager

Kidney Health Australia's Tasmanian Consumer Participation Committee

Ms Sarah Challenor, Member

Mrs Susanne Henry, Member

Mrs Carolyn Mackintosh, Health Services Manager

Mr William Radford, Member

Ms Pamela Walker, Member

Mrs Myra Wightman, Member

Australian Medical Association Tasmania

Dr Donald Rose, Branch Councillor

Country Women's Association

Mrs Ailsa Bond, Former National President

Beaconsfield District Health Service Community Advisory Board

Mr Michael Perkins, Chairman

Monday, 6 August 2007

Hotel Grand Chancellor, Brisbane

Committee Members in attendance

Senator Gary Humphries (Chair)

Senator Sue Boyce

Senator Claire Moore (Deputy Chair)

Senator the Hon Kay Patterson

Senator Judith Adams

Witnesses

Southern Queensland Rural Division of General Practice

Dr Eduard Roos, Board Member

International Program of Psycho-Social Health Research (IPP – SHR)

Dr Pam McGrath, NHMRC Senior Research Fellow

Frontier Services

Ms Marina Izatt, Regional Manager

Mater Health Services

Ms Jeniffer Petty, Senior Social Worker

Leukaemia Foundation of Australia

Ms Anne Williamson, General Manager

Ms Sandy McKeirnan, Support Services Manager

Mr Ron Bolton-Wood, Manager - Patient Accommodation

Ms Barbara Hartigan, Director – Patient Support Services

Breast Cancer Association of Queensland

Mr Roger Traves SC, Chairman

Mrs Sandy Cassidy, Vice Chairman

Mrs Tracey Plumridge, Secretary

Queensland Rural Women's Network Inc (via teleconference)

Ms Moya Sandow, State Treasurer and Health Working Party Member

Australian Rural Nurses and Midwives

Professor Desley Hegney, Member, Committee of Management

Ms Betty Moore (via teleconference)**Aspley Lions Club**

Reverend Michael Veary, President

Dr John Gough

Mr Henk Horchner, Project Coordinator and Facilitator

INSPECTIONS AND PRIVATE BRIEFING

Wednesday, 4 July 2007

The Committee visited the following:

The Central Australian Aboriginal Congress – held informal discussions with Ms Maxine Chaseling Branch Manager and Mr Matthew Strangeways.

The Alice Springs Base Hospital – held informal discussions with Ms Vicki Taylor, General Manager, Dr Meredith Arcus, Director of Clinical and Medical Services, Mr Chris Burrows and Mr Leon Spurling.

Western Desert Dialysis Unit – held informal discussions with Ms Sarah Brown about the operation of the unit.

The Committee held a private briefing with Ms Sabina Knight, Senior Lecturer, Nursing and Remote Health Practice, to discuss issues relating to patient assisted travel and access to medical facilities by people living in remote areas.