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# Inquiry into Council of Australian Governments reforms relating to health and hospitals

**Date** Monday, 7 June 2010

**Time** 8.30 am – 4.15 pm

**Venue** Committee Room 2S1  
Parliament House  
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8.30 am – 10.00 am

**Department of Health and Ageing, Department of  
the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Department of  
Finance and Deregulation and Treasury (Sub 24)**

**Department of Health and Aging**

Ms Rosemary Huxtable, Deputy Secretary  
Mr Graeme Head, Deputy Secretary  
Ms Maria Jolly, Acting First Assistant Secretary,  
Health Workforce Division  
Mr Alan Singh, Assistant Secretary,  
Health Reform Taskforce  
Mr Tony Kingdon, First Assistant Secretary,  
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Mr Peter Broadhead, Acting First Assistant Secretary,  
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Mr Michael Cullhane, Assistant Secretary,  
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Ms Lesley Podesta, First Assistant Secretary,  
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Dr Andrew Singer, Principal Medical Adviser,  
Acute Care Division

**The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

Mr Ben Rimmer, Deputy Secretary  
Ms Yael Cass, First Assistant Secretary,  
Social Policy Division

**Department of Finance and Deregulation**

Mr David de Carvalho, First Assistant Secretary,  
Social Policy Division

**The Treasury**

Ms Peta Furnell, General Manager,  
Social Policy Division  
Mr Peter Robinson, Principal Adviser,  
Social Policy Division  
Ms Sue Vroombout, General Manager,  
Commonwealth-State Relations Division

10.00 am – 10.10 am

**Break**



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10.10 am – 11.40 am	<b>Department of Health and Ageing, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Department of Finance and Deregulation and Treasury (Sub 24)</b> <i>in continuation</i>
11.40 am – 12.20 pm	<b>Catholic Health (Sub 3)</b> Mr Martin Laverty, Chief Executive Officer
12.20 pm – 12.50 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
12.50 pm – 1.30 pm	<b>Rural Doctors Association (Sub 22)</b> Mr Steve Sant, Chief Executive Officer
1.30 pm – 2.05 pm	<b>Doctors' Action</b> Dr Adrian Sheen
2.05 pm – 2.45 pm	<b>Australian General Practice Network (Sub 27)</b> Ms Leanne Wells, Executive Director Ms Rachel Yates, Policy Advisor
2.45 pm – 2.55 pm	<b>Break</b>
2.55 pm – 3.35 pm	<b>Mental Health Council of Australia (Sub 21)</b> Mr David Crosbie, Chief Executive Officer
3.35 pm – 4.15 pm	<b>Australian Medical Association (Sub 10)</b> Dr Andrew Pesce, President

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