

## COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE



## Friday 7 August 2020

**MINUTES** 

### PRESENT:

Ms G Newton, Community member
Ms G Parsonage, Community member
Ms S Rawlinson, Community member
Ms E Warren, Community member (Co-Chair)
Dr J Wilson, Community member

RHW In Attendance:

Ms M Berry, Manager, Social Work Department
Ms M Fenn, Acting Director of Nursing & Midwifery

Ms H McCarthy, Acting General Manager

Ms V Walton, Manager, Clinical Practice Improvement

Ms J East Secretariat

E Warren opened the meeting and welcomed V Walton.

H McCarthy gave a brief update on pandemic planning.

## A. MEETING OPENING

Item 1 Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation who are the traditional custodians of the land on which we are meeting today and pay my respects to their elders both past and present.

Item 2 Welcome

2.1 Apologies

T Fletcher, P O'Donoghue, A Lainchbury, J Svensson

2.2 Present - see above

G Newton agreed to be Acting Co-Chair.

Item 3 Approval of minutes

Minutes from the previous meeting held 5 June 2020 approved.

Item 4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest Nil

## B. ACTION ITEMS FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Item 5 Action Items
Noted

#### C. STANDING ITEMS

#### Youth Health & Diversity update Item 6

H McCarthy read out an update from J Svensson:

- Youth Health is still working at facility level with no recommencement of district level meetings. That being so I have met with two of the new Social Workers, Sam and Jennie, and through them several young expectant parents have been referred to me for this antenatal education.
- With Diversity Health I have been working closely with our Cross Cultural Worker, Galuh, and she has attended the last two Pain Relief in Labour talks for her own knowledge and is now referring a number of couples to this talk. This talk is online and has gone 20-30 mins over time with my part of the talk as I have allowed questions on a wide range of topics. I am evaluating it and in July I had a 80% response rate to my survey --- 90% rated the talk as extremely useful or very useful.
- The Tuesday antenatal group that Galuh coordinates and cofacilitates for CALD coupes is also online and good attendance.
- This year there have been no Multicultural Health grants offered as many of the LHD team have been deployed to other areas.

#### **Quality & Safety Data** Item 7

V Walton gave a verbal report noting

- Following bedside audit a change in meal times resulted in an issue with assistance for patients which has been addressed
- Submissions to SESLHD for the Ministry of Health awards
- Finalising new clinical audit process

#### **Patient Feedback** Item 8

V Walton read out a compliment received.

#### Feedback from Hospital Committee representatives Item 9

- a) Clinical Council deferred
- b) SESLHD DCCC

S Rawlinson noted these meetings have been cancelled until further notice without consultation. S Rawlinson and J Wilson are seeking advice from the SESLHD.

c) SESLHD Falls and End of Life – nil to report

## RHW Integrated Health Services Plan (Clinical Services Plan) Item 10

On hold pending Ministry of Health approval.

#### Item 11 Campus redevelopment update

H McCarthy noted there are noise issues. The redevelopment team have provided a schedule to facilitate awareness for patients and staff. Discussions are ongoing around the linkway on Level 0. M Berry noted planning has commenced for the linkway on Level 3.

#### Annual Plan 2020/21 Item 12

E Warren advised the document was prepared following discussion with V Madunic and feedback is welcome.

## D. GENERAL BUSINESS

Item 13 Brochure, poster and letter produced previously for Committee awareness

Noted.

Item 14 General Manager

H McCarthy advised the SESLHD has circulated an EOI for an Acting General Manager on a six month appointment. The Committee noted the importance of the appointment and that due consideration and diligence be given to the appropriate personality and credentials.

A project officer, Peter McDermott, is currently undertaking projects and he will be invited to a future meeting to present on how he is incorporating consumer/community participation.

## Item 15 Director of Nursing & Midwifery - nil to report

# Item 16 Presentation from Dr Rachael Rodgers, Department of Reproductive Medicine – Fertility & Research Centre

Unfortunately the powerpoint presentation was unable to be projected but will be circulated. R Rodgers gave a verbal overview.

- Provide low cost IVF service for patients in a public setting
- Fertility care for patients with cancer
- Only completely public service in NSW
- Brief outline of treatments provided
- Access to specialists at POWH beneficial
- Multi-disciplinary meetings held fortnightly
- Research in conjunction with UNSW
- Access for people in remote areas as test results need to be available the same day this is challenging in managing

The Committee thanked Dr Rodgers.

## E. BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE Nil

Meeting closed 12.05 pm

Signature .....

Date 2/10/20

Per: Donna Garland, Acting General Manager

Minutes were approved at Skype meeting 2/10/20