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2017-18 ANNUAL REPORT for the Port Augusta, Roxby Downs & Woomera
Health Advisory Council

To:
Hon Stephen Wade MLC
Minister for Health and Wellbeing

This annual report is presented to Parliament to meet the statutory reporting requirements of the *Public Sector Act 2009*, the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and the *Health Care Act 2008* and meets the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular *PC013 Annual Reporting*.

This report is verified to be accurate for the purposes of annual reporting to the Parliament of South Australia.

Submitted on behalf of the Port Augusta, Roxby Downs & Woomera Health Advisory Council:

Karyn Reid

Presiding Member



21/9/2018

Signature

Date

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Section A: Reporting required under the *Public Sector Act 2009*, the *Public Sector Regulations 2010* and the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*

Agency purpose or role

The Health Advisory Council was established by the then Minister for Health and Ageing to undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community and to provide advice in relation to health matters, amongst other functions.

The constitution is available at <http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/>

Objectives

The Health Advisory Council undertakes an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Key strategies and their relationship to SA Government objectives

The Health Advisory Council undertakes an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Agency programs and initiatives and their effectiveness and efficiency

The Health Advisory Council undertakes an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Legislation administered by the agency

The Health Advisory Council undertakes an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Organisation of the agency

Health Advisory Councils in country South Australia undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community. The Country Health SA Local Health Network Health Advisory Council Inc (Governing Council) acts as an 'umbrella body' for other Health Advisory Councils, providing advice from a whole of country perspective.

Regional Presiding Member representatives also come together as the Presiding Members Panel to facilitate communication exchange between the local Health Advisory Councils and the Governing Council.

Membership of the Health Advisory Council can include:

- Up to nine community members
- A local Member of Parliament or their nominee
- A medical practitioner member
- A worker from Country Health SA Local Health Network

A list of current members is available at:

www.SAHealth/PortAugusta

Other agencies related to this agency (within the Minister's area/s of responsibility)

Country Health SA Local Health Network Inc

Country Health SA Local Health Network Health Advisory Council Inc (Governing Council)

Leigh Creek Health Service Health Advisory Council

Quorn Health Services Health Advisory Council

Whyalla Health and Health Services Health Advisory Council

Hawker District Memorial Health Advisory Council

Employment opportunity programs

The Health Advisory Council consists of volunteers who undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Agency performance management and development systems

The Health Advisory Council consists of volunteers who undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Work health, safety and return to work programs of the agency and their effectiveness

The Health Advisory Council consists of volunteers who undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Work health and safety and return to work performance

The Health Advisory Council consists of volunteers who undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Fraud detected in the agency

Category/nature of fraud	Number of instances
Nil	0

Strategies implemented to control and prevent fraud

Health Advisory Councils have specific functions and powers as defined in the *Health Care Act 2008* and the Constitution (for incorporated Health Advisory Councils or Rules (for non incorporated Health Advisory Councils), including actions that cannot be undertaken without the approval of the Minister.

Health Advisory Councils are instrumentalities of the Crown and subject to relevant Department of Treasury and Finance Treasurers Instructions.

The Constitutions / Rules identify the actions to be undertaken in the event of a conflict of interest. All declared conflicts of interest are reported to the Minister for Health through Country Health SA Local Health Network Inc.

Data for previous years is available at:

<https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/country-health-sa-local-health-network>

Whistle-blowers' disclosure

Number of occasions on which public interest information has been disclosed to a responsible officer of the agency under the *Whistle-blowers' Protection Act 1993*

0

Data for previous years is available at:

<https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/country-health-sa-local-health-network>

Executive employment in the agency

The Health Advisory Committee consists of volunteers who undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

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Consultants

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged by the agency, the nature of work undertaken and the total cost of the work undertaken.

Consultants	Purpose	Value
Consultancies below \$10,000 each		
Nil		0
Consultancies above \$10,000 each		
Nil		0
Total all consultancies		\$0

Data for previous years is available at:

<https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/country-health-sa-local-health-network>

See also the Consolidated Financial Report of the Department of Treasury and Finance <http://treasury.sa.gov.au/> for total value of consultancy contracts across the SA Public Sector.

Contractors

The following is a summary of external contractors that have been engaged by the agency, the nature of work undertaken and the total cost of the work undertaken.

Contractor	Purpose	Value
Nil		0

Data for the past year is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/country-health-sa-local-health-network>

The details of all South Australian Government-awarded contracts for goods, services, and works are displayed on the SA Tenders and Contracts website [here](#).

The website also provides details of Across government contracts [here](#).

Financial performance of the agency

As the Health Advisory Council is unincorporated, its assets and liabilities are included in the financial reports of Country Health SA Local Health Network Health Advisory Council Inc.

Other financial information

Nil.

Other information requested by the Minister(s) or other significant issues affecting the agency or reporting pertaining to independent functions

Nil.

Section B: Reporting required under any other act or regulation

Health Care Act 2008
Part 4 Health Advisory Councils, Division 2 Functions and Powers, 18 Functions
<p>Act as an advocate to promotion the interests of the community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide advice about relevant aspect of the provision of health services, and relevant health issues, goals, priorities, plans and strategic initiatives.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Representation on Flinders and Upper North Regional Governance Committees: Clinical Governance, Culture and Innovation Committees.○ Representation on Flinders and Upper North Regional Service Planning Committee.○ Representation on Country Health SA Local Health Network Clinical Governance Committee.○ Formal consultation with Country Health Connect concerning relocation of Child Health and Development Services in Port Augusta.• Encourage community participation in programs.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Representation on National Quality and Safety Health Care Service Standards (Partnering with Consumers) Regional Working Group.○ Continued facilitation and delivery of Consumer Experience Training and Patient Centred Care to staff across the Region (Service Matters – Going the Extra Mile).○ Inclusion in the National Quality and Safety Health Care Standards regional accreditation review/process.○ Community Forums in Port Augusta delivering local health service information to consumers.○ Participation in Reconciliation Week celebrations in the Health Service.○ Review of the Port Augusta, Roxby Downs and Woomera HAC community engagement action plan.• Consult with other bodies that are interested in the provision of health services.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Two monthly meetings with Country SA Primary Health Network.○ Two monthly exchange of information with Roxby Downs Health Forum.○ Liaison with Flinders and Far North Doctors Association concerning reduction in GP numbers in Port Augusta.○ Liaison and advocacy support to Red Cross for community transport services between Port Augusta and Whyalla.○ Formal response to Port Augusta City Council re potential changes to a children’s disability service in Port Augusta.• Provide advice to the Minister about any matter referred to it by the Minister or CE.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Contributed to written information to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing on

changes to governance arrangements for country health services.

- Participate in consultation or assessment process associated with the selection of senior staff.
 - Representation on the selection panel for Regional Quality & Safety Manager.

Reporting required under the *Carers' Recognition Act 2005*

Not Applicable.

Section C: Reporting of public complaints as requested by the Ombudsman

A whole of SA Health response will be provided in the 2017-18 Department for Health and Wellbeing Annual Report, which can be accessed at the following link:

<https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/wps/wcm/connect/public+content/sa+health+internet/about+us/publications+and+resources>

Data for previous years is available at:

<https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/resources/country-health-sa-local-health-network>