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Hon. Stephen Wade MLC

Minister for Health and Wellbeing

This annual report is to be 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 Veterans' Health Advisory Council by:

Geoff Tattersall
Presiding Member



25 September 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 Veterans' Health Advisory Council was established in March 2009 under the auspices of the *Health Care Act 2008* (the Act). It functions in accordance with the guidance provided in the Rules for the Council determined by the then Minister for Health under Section 17 (3) of the Act.

The role of the Health Advisory Council, as defined by the Rules, is to:

- Advise the Minister on the health service needs, priorities and issues of veterans.
- Advise the Minister on the delivery of health services to veterans.
- Advocate on behalf of veterans with the Minister.

Objectives

The Health Advisory Council advocates on behalf of veterans with the Minister in regard to the health service needs, priorities and issues of veterans and the delivery of health services to veterans.

Key strategies and their relationship to SA Government objectives

The Health Advisory Council advocates on behalf of veterans with the Minister in regard to the health service needs, priorities and issues of veterans and the delivery of health services to veterans.

Agency programs and initiatives and their effectiveness and efficiency

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Legislation administered by the agency

The Health Advisory Council advocates on behalf of veterans with the Minister in regard to the health service needs, priorities and issues of veterans and the delivery of health services to veterans.

Organisation of the agency

The Advisory Council comprises no more than 11 volunteer Members, appointed by the Minister, as nominees of the RSL. In addition there may, at the Minister's discretion, be up to 4 volunteer Members selected and appointed by the Minister to the Advisory Council

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

Nil to report

Employment opportunity programs

The Health Advisory Council consists of volunteers and advocates on behalf of veterans with the Minister in regard to the health service needs, priorities and issues of veterans and the delivery of health services to veterans.

Agency performance management and development systems

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

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Work health and safety and return to work performance

The Health Advisory Council consists of volunteers and advocates on behalf of veterans with the Minister in regard to the health service needs, priorities and issues of veterans and the delivery of health services to veterans.

Fraud detected in the agency

Category/nature of fraud	Number of Instances
Nil to report	0

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/08a86488-85c9-4cce-a982-1bfd34c45bc3>

Strategies implemented to control and prevent fraud

The Veterans' Health Advisory Council is a non-incorporated Advisory Council. It does not control assets, incur expenditure or receive revenue.

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/08a86488-85c9-4cce-a982-1bfd34c45bc3>

Executive employment in the agency

The Health Advisory Council consists of volunteers and advocates on behalf of veterans with the Minister in regard to the health service needs, priorities and issues of veterans and the delivery of health services to veterans.

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.

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

Data for the previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/08a86488-85c9-4cce-a982-1bfd34c45bc3>

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 to report	Nil	0

Data is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/08a86488-85c9-4cce-a982-1bfd34c45bc3>

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

The Veterans' Health Advisory Council is a non-incorporated Advisory Council. It does not control assets, incur expenditure or receive revenue.

Other financial information

Nil to report

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

Nil to report

Section B: Reporting required under any other act or regulation

Name and date of act or regulation
Health Care Act 2008
Part 4 Health Advisory Councils, Division 3 Related Matters, Clause 22 Annual Report
(1) A HAC must, within 3 months after the end of each financial year, deliver to the Minister a report on the operations of the HAC during that financial year.

Reporting required under the *Carers' Recognition Act 2005*

Not Applicable

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

Summary of complaints by subject

Public complaints received by Veterans' Health Advisory Council	
Category of complaints by subject	Number of instances
Nil to report	0

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/08a86488-85c9-4cce-a982-1bfd34c45bc3>

Complaint outcomes

Nature of complaint or suggestion	Services improved or changes as a result of complaints or consumer suggestions
Nil to report	Nil to report

Appendix: Audited financial statements 2017-18

The Veteran's Health Advisory Council is a non-incorporated entity and therefore does not produce financial statements.