

QUARTERLY MEETING WITH SA HEALTH

COMMUNIQUÉ

Attended by: Dr Tony Sherbon, Chief Executive, SA Health
Ms Sinead O'Brien, A/Executive Director State-wide Service Strategy, SA Health
Dr. Mike Beckoff, Chair, GPSA Board of Directors
Dr Cathy Sanders, Vice Chair, GPSA Board of Directors
Ms Gretchen Scinta, Chief Executive Officer, GPSA

1. The **National Health and Hospitals Reform Commission report** was discussed. SA Health is interested to work with GPSA and Divisions on primary care aspects of their business. The potential for more formalized linkages between GPSA and SA Health personnel was agreed. Much will depend on outcomes of the COAG meetings later this year and early next year.
2. The future of the **Obstetrics Shared Care program** was discussed and GPSA advised that a document clearly outlining SA Health's requirements for the program would be useful for Divisions to be able to put forward an Expression of Interest.
3. The **Immunisation Program** and support to practices for distribution of the H1N1 vaccine are joint areas of priority. GPSA is actively working with SA Health on communications around the current issues and it was agreed that two-way flow of communications and early information is vital. Both groups will be working to ensure that this happens.
4. SA Health confirmed that considerations for accommodation for country residents are being brought in to design for the new **Royal Adelaide Hospital**.
5. **Secure messaging** featured on the agenda again. During September, there will be a meeting convened by SA Health to follow on from the last meeting with ICT Services, Statewide Services, and Divisions.
6. GPSA shared with SA Health reports of frustrations currently being experienced by GPs in relation to the **National Inpatient Medication Record**. SA Health offered to receive further information about the matter.

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Chair, Board of Directors

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