



EMHS Board Communique

The latest news, views, and announcements

This communique highlights key discussions and considerations of the EMHS Board meeting held on Tuesday 27 May 2025, at Kalamunda Hospital.

Board Members Present

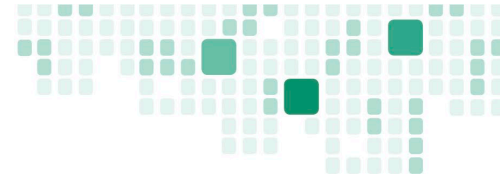
Ms Pia Turcinov AM	Board Chair
Dr Denise Glennon	Deputy Board Chair
Mr Ross Keesing	Board Member
Mr Peter Forbes	Board Member
Prof. Tracey Moroney	Board Member
Ms Vanessa Elliott AM	Board Member
Ms Melissa Grove	Board Member
Ms Elizabeth Koff	Board Member



May 2025

Board Leader Rounding at Kalamunda Hospital

Left to right: Denise Glennon (Deputy Board Chair), Melissa Grove (Board Member), Tracey Moroney (Board Member), Alisha Thompson (A/Executive Director, Armadale Kalamunda Group), Pia Turcinov (Board Chair), "Mr T" Thinakaran Naraynen (Chef & Food Service Attendant), Peter Forbes (Board Member), Joyce West (Food Service Attendant), Elizabeth Koff (Board Member), Vanessa Elliott (Board Member), Ross Keesing (Board Member).



Board Chair – Pia Turcinov AM

- National Reconciliation Week began on Tuesday 27 May 2025. Board Members reflected on the importance of this week and their role in ensuring cultural safety across EMHS. Pia Turcinov and Board Member Melissa Grove attended the official opening of the RPH Art Exhibition Launch at Parliament House.
- Pia Turcinov and Dr Lesley Bennett attended the Key Issues Meeting with the Director General to discuss winter planning and master planning across the sites.

EMHS Board Committee Reports

Board Operational Performance and Strategy Committee

- The Committee completed its annual review of its Terms of Reference to ensure they still meet the needs of the Board and the Committee.
- The Committee discussed Digital Strategy, Innovation and Research, Workforce matters, Operational performance and the status of the Digital Medical Records Project.

Board Finance

- The Committee discussed EMHS financial standing, capital works and leave planning for staff.
- Updates were provided on EMHS' Medical Equipment Replacement Program.



Board Leader Rounding

Board Leader Rounding was attended by:

Pia Turcinov	Denise Glennon
Peter Forbes	Ross Keesing
Tracey Moroney	Elizabeth Koff
Vanessa Elliott	Melissa Grove

The Kalamunda Hospital Kitchen Service welcomed the Board, providing them with an overview of services provided and a food tasting. The Board noted that the staff were engaging and passionate about the services they deliver and were very appreciative of the warm welcome they received.





EMHS Chief Executive – Dr Lesley Bennett

- Dr Bennett provided an updated from the Health Leadership Forum which was hosted by Dr Shirley Bowen, Director General (DG) and attended by Hon. Meredith Hammat MLA, Minister for Health; Mental Health. Discussions included an overview of the five new Minister's portfolio's, the Minister for Health's expectations moving forward and challenges across the system.
- Reporting from the Health Executive Committee (HEC) meetings including updates on the WA Health Workforce Strategy, the State Health Infrastructure Plan and the Demand and Capacity Optimisation Program.
- The Board acknowledged feedback and activity of the recently implemented Behaviour Support Team (BeST) at RPH.
- The WA Nursing and Midwifery Excellence Awards Gala Ball was held on 10 May. EMHS had 9 finalists and took home 4 awards.

EMHS Site Updates



Armadale Kalamunda Group (AKG)

- SNAAP Accreditation has been underway and feedback was positive.
- Service expansion and flow and emergency access remain AKG's major focus points.



Board Leader Rounding at Kalamunda Hospital

Left to Right: Judy Brand (Nurse Unit Manager), Melissa Grove (Board Member), Elizabeth Koff (Board Member), Pia Turcinov (Board Chair)



Royal Perth Bentley Group (RBPBG)

- Preparations continue for SNAAP Accreditation and feedback has so far been positive.
- RPH successfully implemented Digital Medical Records (DMR)
- Winter planning continues across the site

Presentations to the Board

The Senior Nursing Directors provided a summary of current highlights and challenges within their areas including

- Acknowledgement of the nominations and winners from the WA Nursing and Midwifery Awards
- Launching a wellbeing initiative to assist healthcare workers to identify if they are at risk of burnout.
- Discussions around workforce capabilities and improvements for graduates and access to workforce data
- Nurse engagement in research
- Integration of virtual care and the nurse practitioner role in home hospital models.
- Introduction of programs to improve staff and patient safety and quality of care.