



MENTAL HEALTH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMMUNIQUE - MEETING 26 OCTOBER 2023

The 21st meeting of the Mental Health Executive Committee (MHEC) was held on 26 October 2023. This communique provides all stakeholders with information and outcomes from the meeting.

The purpose of the MHEC is to lead the continuous development of a mental health, alcohol, and other drug (AOD) system that is efficient, sustainable, recovery-focused, consumer-led and integrated with the Lived Experience perspective front and centre. The MHEC works alongside the Community Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drug Council (CMC) to ensure system integration and connection of clinical services with the wider mental health and AOD sector. The key priority projects of the MHEC and CMC continue to be the Implementation of Infant, Child and Adolescent (ICA) Taskforce Recommendations, reform of Community Mental Health Treatment and Emergency Services (CTER) and the Graylands Reconfiguration and Forensic Taskforce (GRAFT). Addressing the mental health and AOD workforce shortages and building a skilled and sustainable workforce through a suitable plan and appropriate strategies are also key priorities.

Independent Governance Review of WA Health System (IGR)

Members were provided with an update on the implementation of the IGR recommendations, noting that the Commission and the Department of Health (DoH) are working collaboratively to implement the immediate next steps. Members further discussed the commissioning recommendation, noting the requirement for contemporary approaches.

Review of the Community Mental Health Treatment Services, including Emergency Response Services (CTER)

Members highlighted the need for coordinated services to ensure there is a simple entry point to assist individuals with navigating and accessing services prior to experiencing crisis. They also discussed the importance of ensuring treatment was provided in a culturally safe and trauma informed way.

Mental Health Clinical Workforce Action Plan (MHCWAP) for Horizon 2 – Implementation Plan

Members endorsed the MHCWAP Horizon 2 Implementation plan and agreed for the governance for this work to be managed through a Program Control Group.

Measurement of Outcomes that Matter to those with Lived Experience

Members discussed the importance of ensuring the use of appropriate language and shared understanding of citizen and recovery capital and that this should be incorporated into a cultural change piece.

Other items of note:

- Key priority initiatives endorsed by Mental Health Leads Sub-Committee.
- ICA Workforce Action Plan and Recruitment Timeline – Feedback.

The next MHEC meeting is scheduled for 21 November 2023.

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