

News for Staff

Welcome to the August edition of Transforming Health News for Staff.

This publication will be issued regularly to keep you up-to-date on the progress of Transforming Health and provide further information about key milestones.

If you have any Transforming Health stories you would like to share or questions you would like answered, please email transforminghealth@health.sa.gov.au

Location for new PTSD Centre for Excellence announced

An expert advisory panel including clinicians, Veteran representatives, consumers and carers has recommended Glenside Health Service Campus as the site for the new \$15 million Veteran mental health precinct including the Centre for Excellence for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

The panel assessed a number of locations based on specific criteria, before recommending Glenside Health Service Campus as the best location for Veterans' mental health services in South Australia.

The new \$15 million Centre was announced under Transforming Health to provide the required high-quality facilities and build on our reputation as a leader in post-traumatic stress services.

The Expert Advisory Panel, co-chaired by the Chair of the Repatriation Hospital Foundation, Associate Professor Susan Neuhaus CSC and the Transforming Health Clinical Ambassador, Professor Dorothy Keefe, was established to advise government about the model of care required and a location for mental health services for Veterans.

The panel has advised that Glenside Health Service Campus presents the opportunity to develop a multi-use facility that could act as a dedicated Veterans' health services hub. Potential partnerships can be explored with Commonwealth and non-Government organisations to develop a 'one stop shop' for Veterans.

The site is centrally located, low-stimulus and private with car parking, public transport links and access to recreational, community and garden spaces.

Work will now take place to develop the governance and workforce models and transition processes for the new service in consultation with staff and unions.

Staff will be engaged with to ensure a smooth transition when relocation occurs.

A copy of the expert advisory panel report is available online at www.transforminghealth.sa.gov.au



Concept image: New centre for PTSD at Glenside Health Service Campus.

Planning underway to upgrade hospitals

Design teams have started planning more than \$250 million in upgrades at our metropolitan hospitals to build a better health system and bring to life the changes needed to deliver Transforming Health.

Workshops are being held at each hospital site with our doctors, nurses, midwives, allied and scientific health professionals and other staff, to develop the capital projects and seek feedback on the new build concepts.

The largest upgrade will take place at Flinders Medical Centre where the State Government is investing \$159.5 million to build a new multi-level carpark, an Older Persons' Mental Health Service and a rehabilitation centre with 55 rehabilitation beds, a new gym and hydrotherapy pool. The existing neonatal unit will also be upgraded.

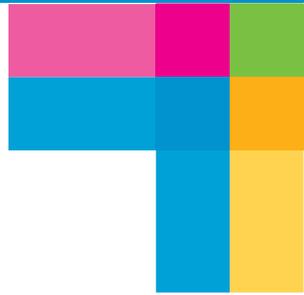
Noarlunga Hospital will be refurbished, with \$7 million set aside for a dedicated elective day surgery centre and relocation of the dialysis unit. As part of this work, the Community Emergency Department will be reconfigured so it has a dedicated paediatric space for children.

New hydrotherapy pools will be built at Modbury Hospital and The Queen Elizabeth Hospital. In a \$20 million upgrade, another level will also be added to the Allied Health and Rehabilitation Building at The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, so allied health and rehabilitation services can be expanded and wards refitted to include new on-ward gymnasiums. Part of the State Government's \$32 million investment at Modbury Hospital will expand rehabilitation services to 52 beds.

All upgrades are scheduled to be complete by late 2017.



Concept image: Rehabilitation Centre at Flinders Medical Centre.



New working party established to advise on relocation of palliative care services in Southern Adelaide

Under Transforming Health, palliative care services currently provided at Daw House Hospice for Southern residents will transfer to a new location.

A Clinical Working Party has been established to design the model of care and provide recommendations about how and where these services should be relocated in Southern Adelaide.

The Palliative Care Services Clinical Working Party is chaired by Chief Medical Officer Professor Paddy Phillips. It brings together a wealth of expertise, including clinical experts, local affiliated services, a consumer representative and senior Department for Health and Ageing staff.

The working party has outlined the key principles and considerations to be taken into account when reviewing potential sites.

They include:

- > Opportunity to contribute to, and influence, the design and layout of the available physical spaces
- > Ability to co-locate all of the elements of the services including inpatient and community teams, Daw House Hospice Foundation and Flinders University teaching and research teams
- > Ability for the service to be co-located with other sub-acute services
- > Location of the inpatient unit, in comparison to acute medical services
- > Access to services for staff and consumers, including car parking
- > Capacity for future growth of the service.

The next step for the working party is to review detailed conceptual building designs for the possible sites. It will then provide its recommendation to the Minister.

The future of the Repat site

The State Government has already committed to ensuring that the Repatriation General Hospital site will continue to be used for health, aged care or community education and training purposes into the future.

The Chapel, Museum and Remembrance Garden will be preserved for their considerable significance, particularly to World War II Veterans and their families.

Orthotics and Prosthetics SA will remain on the site, along with the Flinders University Health Sciences building and the ViTA facility.

Community members were invited to tell us what is important in planning for the future of the Repatriation General Hospital site, either at an event held at Mitcham Hawks Football Club on 24 July or online at www.yoursay.sa.gov.au. More than 300 people provided their feedback before the consultation period closed on 31 July 2015.

The feedback received during the consultation period will be included in the formal Expression of Interest, which will open later this year, for respondents to consider.

Clinical Ambassador Update Professor Dorothy Keefe P.S.M



Professor Dorothy Keefe P.S.M. is the Clinical Ambassador for Transforming Health and the Chair of the Ministerial Clinical Advisory Group, which will provide clinical leadership on the implementation of [Transforming Health initiatives](#).

Over the past few months, we have been working hard to get ready to transform our healthcare system. We have:

- > begun a tender process to find an implementation partner to help deliver the healthcare changes.
- > established the Ministerial Clinical Advisory Group (MCAG) to provide clinical leadership and guide how we implement Transforming Health.
- > begun the process of establishing working parties

to plan services in each area where reform is needed, including the Palliative Care Services Clinical Working Party.

- > held project workshops in June and July to start the planning processes for the first areas of reform including: stroke; acute coronary syndrome – chest pain; rehabilitation services; orthogeriatrics – acute hip fracture management; and after hours senior cover. More than 500 people have attended the workshops so far, including clinicians and consumer representatives.
- > begun scoping additional projects including the SAAS Guidelines for the Noarlunga Community Emergency Department; Nursing Home Discharge Pathway; and Paediatric Surgery Governance.

The Ministerial Clinical Advisory Group (MCAG) meets fortnightly and currently has 28 members, including clinicians from all parts of healthcare from across the state, as well as Professor Alex Brown from the South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI) and Michael Cousins from the Health Consumers Alliance of South Australia (HCA).

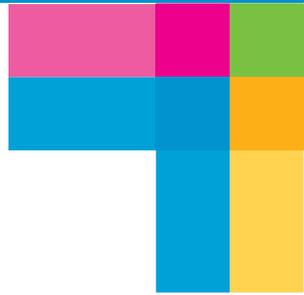
The MCAG will plan and recommend clinical models of care and guidelines in a clinician-led, quality-focused process for implementation by the Local Health Networks.

For each area of reform, the MCAG will design and endorse the project instruction and an initial project workshop will be held with clinicians and consumers to identify priorities, interdependencies and considerations for each project. An expert working group will then be convened to continue working through the required detail.

Under the governance of the MCAG, a Directors' Forum has been convened. This forum provides a mechanism to ensure that clinical directors are aware of the work that is being undertaken by the MCAG and the working groups. It provides an opportunity for key clinicians to influence the clinical and service



Contributions from participants at the Rehabilitation Services Workshop.



improvement projects that Local Health Networks will implement once approved.

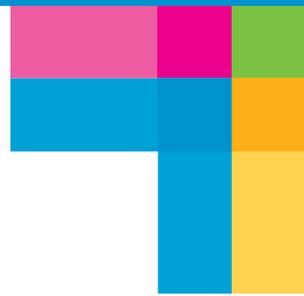
To find out more, you can view my video blogs on SA Health's [YouTube Channel](#).

As part of our commitment to regularly communicate with staff about Transforming Health, I will continue to record short video blogs about the work of the MCAG.

More information about the MCAG and the first four work areas that have been prioritised for model of care development is available on the [intranet site](#).



Participants at the Orthogeriatrics: Acute Hip Fracture Management workshop.



Peak Consumer and Community Engagement Forum workshop success

More than 90 people joined the Minister for Health and the Health Consumers Alliance of South Australia (HCA) at a workshop on 7 May to establish the Peak Consumers and Community Engagement Forum and Strategy for Transforming Health.

The HCA is the peak body for health consumers and health consumer organisations in South Australia. It facilitated the workshop and will chair the Peak Consumer and Community Engagement Forum, which will guide and direct engagement with consumer and community groups throughout the implementation of Transforming Health.

The workshop was set up to gain information and advice about the first steps needed to establish the Forum. It was an opportunity for those who attended to provide advice and feedback about the principles, membership, key actions and recommendations for the Forum.

Ten key principles to guide the work of the Forum were identified at the workshop, including the need to ensure it is consumer centred and directed, is accountable for achieving outcomes, and it is about authentic partnerships, not tokenism.

Those who attended the workshop were asked to identify the key selection criteria for membership. They recommended membership include a diverse mix of consumer and community representatives.

During the final activity of the day, participants identified priority actions for the Forum, including

endorsing the key principles; developing an engagement strategy and communications plan; and developing an action plan with goals, timeframes and performance indicators.

In the coming months, SA Health will work with the HCA to confirm the outcomes of the workshop. The Forum held an induction meeting on 29 July and the first official Forum meeting will be held on Wednesday 2 September. A summary of the workshop and key recommendations for the Forum is available in the [HCA Community Workshop Report](#) at www.hcasa.asn.au



Consumer representative, Melissa Cadzow, Minister for Health, Hon Jack Snelling M.P., and CEO of the Health Consumers Alliance of South Australia, Michael Cousins.

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