

The Queensland Health Patient Safety and Quality Board met on 9 February 2009. Key discussions and outcomes included:

Ensuring Intended Surgery Policy Review

The revised *Ensuring Correct Patient, Correct Site and Side, Correct Procedure (3 C's)* Policy was re-presented to the Board following feedback at the December Board meeting.

The policy has now been endorsed by the Board for submission to Executive Management Committee.

It will then be published on the internet, along with a recent publication from the Journal of New England.

A communication and implementation plan have been developed and stakeholders are already keen to implement the policy. Alternative methods of promoting compliance were discussed by the Board, and intentional non-compliance will be a subject for further discussion.

Additional information can be provided by contacting Marita.Pentti@health.qld.gov.au

Central Clinical Governance unit Report Feedback

The Central Clinical Governance Unit (CCGU) gave a presentation to the Board on the draft Central Clinical Governance responsibilities including: key accountabilities, information needs, the Board's roles and responsibilities, reporting structure, reporting scope and methodology.

The CCGU will be traveling to all Health Service Districts in the near future for consultation and feedback.

Board members have been requested to provide feedback to CCGU by the end of February for further discussion at the March Board Meeting.

Additional information can be provided by contacting Don.Martin@health.qld.gov.au

External Review of Clinical Governance in Queensland Health

Professor Sir Liam Donaldson's clinical governance review of Queensland Health has

been confirmed for 30 March to 3 April 2009. The Terms of Reference for this review have been finalised, and the itinerary is being refined.

Additional information can be provided by contacting Justin.Collins@health.qld.gov.au

Clinical Review Activities Guidelines

The Board have endorsed the circulation of The DRAFT Clinical Audit and Review Implementation Standard "How To" Guide to its' key stakeholders for consultation and feedback.

Feedback on the consultation process will be provided to the Board at the March meeting.

Additional information can be provided by contacting Siobhan.Rowe@health.qld.gov.au

ISO Certification Update

We have received notification by SAI Global of our successful certification to ISO 9001:2008. This sees the PSQB as the first Board/committee in Australia to achieve certification to this standard.

Additional information can be provided by contacting Cathy.Urquhart@health.qld.gov.au

Resignation of Prof Stephen Duckett

The Chair of the Queensland Health Patient Safety and Quality Board – Professor Stephen Duckett has resigned from Queensland Health to accept the position of President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services in Canada.

We would like to thank Professor Duckett for the visionary leadership he has provided the Board and wish him well in his future ventures.

Maarten Kamp (A/Chair) will continue to act in the role as Chair of the Board.

Next meeting scheduled for 9 March 2009

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