1. **Statement**

The Department of Health is committed to effective real property management to ensure the delivery of appropriate, value-for-money real property solutions that support the delivery of safe, effective health services.

2. **Purpose**

This policy ensures:

- all transactions undertaken for real property shall be recorded appropriately and comply with whole-of-government policy and legislation
- real property undertakings deliver value-for-money infrastructure solutions
- governance for real property transactions is open, transparent and accountable
- all process undertaken to manage real property undertakings shall be informed by the mandatory elements within the supporting standards and follow good practice as set out by supporting guideline.

3. **Scope**

This policy applies to all employees, contractors and consultants within the Department of Health divisions and commercialised business units.

This policy can be used by Hospital and Health Services either as is, by re-branding or as a base for a Hospital and Health Service specific policy.

4. **Principles**

All real property undertakings are:

- informed by legislation, whole-of-government frameworks and policies
- in accordance with health service planning priorities and needs
- based on asset management practices
- supportive of optimal financial return and economic development for the state
- carried out in consideration of the built environment
- supportive and deliver culturally appropriate services
- supportive of ecologically sustainable development solutions and life cycle efficiency.
5. Definitions

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| Real Property Undertakings  | For the purposes of this policy and its supporting documents, real property undertakings covers the real property transactions Health Infrastructure Branch deliver, including:  
  • Real Property Acquisition and Disposal  
  • Real Property Leasing and Third Party Infrastructure Partnerships  
  • Native Title and Indigenous Cultural Heritage  
  • Asset Naming  
  • Easements  
  • Community Infrastructure and Town Planning. |

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