Accepted: Meeting with Dr Christian Rowan & Jane Schmidt, AMAQ + Dr Davis & Mark
Hi Jake,

Good to chat the other day.

How about lunch at 12pm Thursday 5th of December?

Cheers

Christian

Dr Christian A.C. Rowan
MBBS (Qld) MDiplTrade (Mon) FRACGP
FARGP FACRRM FACHAM (RACP)

Deputy Chief Medical Officer  UnitingCare Health
Director of Medical Services  St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital
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Noted with thanks.

Dr. Christian A. C. Rowan
Deputy Chief Medical Officer
Uniting Care Health
Director of Medical Services
St A's War Memorial Hospital
Medical Director
Addiction Sciences Queensland

Sent from my iPhone

On 23/01/2014, at 4:25 PM, "Alexandra Foley" <Alexandra.Foley@ministerial.qld.gov.au> wrote:

> Hi Christian,
>
> The Minister asked me to forward you a copy of the attached which has been given to Brisbane Times today.
>
> Kind regards,
> Ally
>
> [Crest]

Alexandra Foley
Media and Policy Advisor
Office of the Hon. Lawrence Springborg MP | Minister for Health

Phone: Level 19, State Health Building | 147-163 Charlotte Street | Brisbane | QLD 4001

Great State. Great Opportunity.

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The Honourable Lawrence Springborg MP
Minister for Health

New Medical Board appointed

The Newman Government has appointed a new 12 member Queensland Medical Board to ensure a more effective and accountable health complaints process.

Last year members of the former board resigned or were removed following reports from the Crime and Misconduct Commission, a former Crown prosecutor and a review panel comprising a legal practitioner, a medical practitioner and an individual with regulatory experience which raised concerns about the manner in which health complaints were being dealt with.

Health Minister Lawrence Springborg said that the reports detailed the board’s failure to properly deal with complaints.

"As a direct result of those reports we have appointed a board which includes greater community representation in addition to medical practitioners," Mr Springborg said.

"In keeping with a recommendation of the Chesterman Review / CMC Report of the Queensland Board of the Medical Board of Australia, we have appointed a chairman who is not a medical practitioner.

"As a direct result of the former Labor Government’s mismanagement, the health complaints system spiralled into disarray with one case alone taking more than six years to finalise and police called in to investigate half a dozen doctors.

"The new board will be chaired by Associate Professor Susan Young, with support from Dr Mark Waters as deputy chair.

"The recruitment process for the new board has been extensive and I believe we have chosen people who will provide leadership and experience from both a community and medical perspective.

"Associate Professor Young is highly qualified and will bring a wealth of experience in the health and education fields.

"She has a Doctorate of Education and holds a Master of Education, majoring in Leadership and Management.

"She is also a highly experienced nurse and midwife and has fulfilled executive appointments in hospital administration and rural health. She served as the chairperson of the Queensland Nursing Council for six years and during this time, participated in national and international forums on professional regulation.”

Mr Springborg said Associate Professor Young’s skills and experience in serving on boards and committees would provide direction and guidance to the new Queensland Medical Board.

“Queenslanders deserve a trusted and reliable health complaints system which ensures issues are referred, handled and resolved in a professional and timely manner. I am confident the new board will achieve this going forward,” he said.
The board has been appointed until December 2014 and will comprise:

**Associate Professor Susan Young** (Chair), Director, Teaching and Learning, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Queensland

**Dr Mark Waters** (Deputy Chair), Visiting Medical Officer, Cherbourg Hospital.

**Dr Cameron Bardsey**, Medical Superintendent, St George Hospital.

**Dr Victoria Brazill**, Senior Staff Specialist, Department of Emergency Medicine, Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital and the Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service.

**Dr William Coman**, Emeritus Professor, Princess Alexandra Hospital and Professor of Head and Neck Surgery, University of Queensland.

**Dr Christine Foley**, Director of Clinical Governance and Safety, St Vincent Health Australia.

**Ms Christine Gee**, Chief Executive Officer Toowong Private Hospital

**Mr David Kent**, a barrister practicing in criminal law, with experience in personal injuries, industrial and commercial law.

**Mr Gregory McGuire**, a barrister who frequently appears in homicide trials possessing extensive experience in pathology evidence and dealings with the medical profession.

**Associate Professor Eleanor Milligan**, Academic Lead: Law, Ethics and Professional Practice, School of Medicine, Griffith University.

**Dr David Morgan OAM**, a previous President of the Medico-Legal Society of Queensland, Dr Morgan is also a current member of the Queensland Health’s Medical Practitioners Panel of Assessors.

**Dr Josephine Sundin**, a Fellow of the Faculty of Forensic Psychiatry, Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists, and is currently Deputy Chair and a member of the General Medical Assessment Tribunal and a psychiatrist assisting the Mental Health Court.

[ENDS] 23 January 2014

**Media Contact:** Alexandra Foley

**Fast facts:**
- Two reports tabled in Parliament in April 2013 detailed significant issues in the handling of health complaints
- JR Hunter SC Review:
  

- Chesterman Review / CMC Report:
  

- Findings included: 363 of 596 files examined were not handled in a manner that was timely, appropriate or complied with legislative objectives.
- Members of the former board resigned or were removed
- New board appointed with 12 members
- As per CMC recommendations, the new chairman is not a doctor
Dear Jo

Please find attached correspondence to the Minister from Dr Christian Rowan regarding influenza vaccinations for children under 5 years of age. Would you kindly onforward for the Minister's attention.

Kind regards

Erica

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30 January 2014

Hon Lawrence Springborg MP  
Minister for Health  
Queensland Government  
GPO Box 48  
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Minister

Reliable supply of influenza vaccination for children under 5 years old

The AMA urges you to ensure that there are adequate supplies of influenza vaccinations appropriate for children under 5 years of age available in Queensland throughout the flu season.

I understand that the Commonwealth is currently renegotiating the influenza Deeds to the National Partnership Agreement on Essential Vaccines. This provides you with an opportunity to negotiate an appropriate proportion of brands of flu vaccines for the population of Queensland.

Since the bioCSL brand Fluvax was delisted in late 2010 for use in children under 5 years old, our members have reported shortages of the brand appropriate for use in young children towards the end of each flu season.

I note that clause 5 of the Influenza Deeds requires states/territories to forecast in February and September its influenza vaccine requirements. This information should be useful in determining the needs of Queensland and prevent inadequate supply compromising the appropriate immunisation of young children.

I would be happy to discuss this issue with you in more detail and to work with you to ensure there is adequate supply of influenza vaccine for children under 5 years old.

Yours sincerely

Dr Christian Rowan  
President  
Australian Medical Association Queensland
Please find attached correspondence from Dr Christian Rowan for the attention of The Honourable Lawrence Springborg MP, Minister for Health.

Kind regards

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6 December 2013

Dear Minister

Thank you for your correspondence of 4 December 2013. Due to Dr Michael Cleary's impending leave, I had a telephone discussion with him on the evening of Wednesday 4 December.

As a part of industrial negotiations there appears to have been a misunderstanding on the part of Queensland Health departmental staff as to the point being made in relation to fatigue risk management and associated protections for medical staff. I would be more than willing to discuss this directly with you as I believe the point being made has not been accurately understood and conveyed to you appropriately.

Yours sincerely

Dr Christian Rowan
President
Australian Medical Association Queensland
Dear Minister

On behalf of Dr Steve Hambleton and Dr Christian Rowan please find attached joint correspondence from AMA Federal and AMA Queensland in regard to the rejection of pathology specialities.

Kind regards

Erica Judd
Personal Assistant to the CEO & President
AMA Queensland
ABN: 17 009 660 280

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Dear Minister

It has been brought to our attention that the Australian Health Workforce Ministerial Council (AHWMC) recently rejected recommendations from the Medical Board of Australia to recognise Genetic Pathology and Clinical Pathology as specialties for registration purposes.

We would like to express our concern with this decision and the accompanying explanation which was provided in Minister O’Byrne’s letter to the Chair of the Medical Board of Australia on 8 August 2013. Two matters were cited for the rejection:

1. Workforce implications that need to be resolved before the pathology (and presumably other) specialties can be considered for approval; and
2. A current process for reviewing and approving a “specialities criteria” for specialist registration under the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme.

Australia has a long standing, rigorous and internationally respected criteria and process for the recognition of medical specialties by the Australian Medical Council (AMC).

We note that AHWMC has not identified the “workforce implications” or explained how they are material to the approval of new medical specialties. We ask that the medical profession be provided with information about the “workforce implications” that are germane to the recognition of medical specialties.

With respect to the second reason for rejection, we understand that this work relates to the non-medical health professions, yet Minister O’Byrne’s letter advises that another application for approval would be considered on its merits after the review. If AHWMC intends to review and revise the criteria for medical specialties, we insist that there be formal consultation with the AMC and the medical profession. If this is not the case, the review is not sufficient ground on which to reject the Medical Board’s recommendation and the AHWMC should reconsider its decision now, and not after the review.

The AMA notes that AHWMC has not made any public announcements with respect to the two issues provided as reasons for not approving the recommendations of the Medical Board.
This lack of transparency only serves to cast doubt on the AHWMC stewardship of the health workforce and health workforce policy.

Yours sincerely

Dr Steve Hambleton
AMA Federal President
7 November 2013

Dr Christian Rowan
AMA Queensland President
7 November 2013
Dear Minister

Please find attached a copy of AMA Queensland’s correspondence to the Premier in response to his letter of 30 October 2013 regarding Queensland Children’s Hospital.

Kind regards

Dr Christian Rowan
MBBS (Qld) MD Dip Trade (Mon) FRACGP FARGP
FACRRM FRAcMA FACHAM (RACP)
President
AMA Queensland
ABN: 17 009 660 280

Dear Premier

Please find attached correspondence in response to your letter of 30 October 2013 in regard to Queensland Children’s Hospital.

From: Erica Judd On Behalf Of Christian Rowan
Sent: Friday, 1 November 2013 11:44 AM
To: ‘thepremier@premiers.qld.gov.au’
Cc: ‘carly.blaik@lnp.org.au’
Subject: Queensland Children’s Hospital - Correspondence from AMA Queensland
Importance: High

Dear Premier

Please find attached correspondence in response to your letter of 30 October 2013 in regard to Queensland Children’s Hospital.
Kind regards

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1 November 2013

Hon Campbell Newman MP
Premier of Queensland
PO Box 15185
CITY EAST QLD 4002

Dear Premier

Thank you for your letter dated 30 October 2013 in response to our letter of 26 September 2013.

We acknowledge and accept that there are no plans to undertake the independent review as previously proposed.

We advise that we have taken up the opportunity to meet with the Health Minister, the Hon. Lawrence Springborg MP, with that meeting set down for 19 November 2013. Furthermore, we will arrange to meet with Dr Peter Steer to reiterate the critical importance of well planned, appropriately funded and broadly communicated transition arrangements for both doctors and the public.

We also note that you have referred to a meeting on 2 October 2013 noting that I was a late apology. To clarify, the AMA Queensland representative set down to attend that meeting was our Obstetrics and Gynaecology representative and former AMA Queensland President, Dr Gino Pecoraro. Unfortunately, he was unable to attend as he was required to undertake an emergency caesarean at the time.

We appreciate the opportunity to meet with you as suggested in your letter and trust we will find a suitable date in your diary as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Dr Christian Rowan
President
Australian Medical Association Queensland
Hi Erica,

Car parking has been confirmed.

Cheers
Jo

Hi Jo

Christian and Jane have advised that the entire meeting will be in regard to VMOs and contracts, so we will include Dr Cartmill. Please let me know if there's a problem with the parking.

> Ms Jane Schmitt
> Dr Christian Rowan
> Dr Ross Cartmill

Many thanks
Erica
From: Erica Judd [mailto:e.judd@amaq.com.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 2 October 2013 8:52 AM
To: Jo Toghill
Cc: Erica Judd
Subject: AMA Queensland Meeting with Health Minister and Assistant Health Minister - 8 October 4.00pm

Good morning Jo

Hope you're well. We have our next meeting scheduled for 4.00pm Tuesday 8 October. Christian and Jane are wishing to discuss VMOs and contracts and therefore would like to also include Dr Ross Cartmill (AMA Qld VMO Committee Chair) in the meeting. Can you let me know that this is acceptable.

As the meeting is at 4.00pm and they will most likely head home afterwards, is there any likelihood there would be 3 parking spots available. Registration details are:

- Ms Jane Schmitt
- Dr Ross Cartmill
- Dr Christian Rowan

Many thanks Jo. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards
Erica

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Fabulous, thanks Erica. The meeting will be held in the Minister’s office, Room C.27, Parliament House. They should come in via the old Parliament House entrance, opposite the Botanical Gardens. I will then go down to security and collect them.

Seeing as the meeting is a far way off, I will now book two car spots and let you know once they have been confirmed.

Kind regards
Jo
Erin

The Premier has flagged the morning of Wednesday 30 October, 2013 as the day he and Minister Springborg might be officially opening the new Gold Coast Hospital. Therefore, I will need to reschedule the meeting we have for Dr Christian Rowan and Jane Schmitt. Could I change the time of the meeting from 9.00am to 4.00pm that same day? If this is convenient, the meeting will be held at Parliament House as the House sits from 2.00pm that day.

I await your advice.

Regards

Jo Toghill
Personal Assistant
Office of Minister for Health
Hon Lawrence Springborg MP

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From: Erica Judd [mailto:e.iudd@amaq.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, 29 August 2013 10:35 AM
To: Jo Toghill
Subject: RE: Meeting today

Hi Jo

Apologies, Jane hasn’t been in the office this morning to finalise, but attached is the Agenda as it stands at present. I’ll let you know if there are any additions asap.

Cheers
Erica

From: Jo Toghill [mailto:Jo.Toghill@ministerial.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Thursday, 29 August 2013 10:32 AM
To: Erica Judd
Subject: Meeting today

Erica,

Mark Wood has just asked me to chase up an agenda from you guys for the meeting today.

Regards

Jo Toghill
Personal Assistant
Office of Minister for Health
Hon Lawrence Springborg MP
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AGENDA

Meeting: Queensland Health and AMA Queensland
Time: 2.45pm
Date: Thursday, 29 August 2013
Venue: Level 19, QHB, 147 Charlotte Street, Brisbane

Attending:

From AMAQ:
Dr Christian Rowan, President AMA Queensland
Ms Jane Schmitt, CEO AMA Queensland

From Queensland Health:
Lawrence Springborg, Health Minister
Dr Chris Davis, Assistant Health Minister
Mr Mark Wood, Senior Policy Advisor

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Awards and Industrial Reforms
2. Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service
3. Mental Health Commission Advisory Committee
4. Royal Children's Hospital and QCH
5. Corrections & Prisoner Health Including OST
6. Choir of Hard Knocks
Jennifer, the Minister is overseas and will not return until mid February. I have been advised that the issue with the contracts will now have to be negotiated with your local Hospital and Health Board.

Jo

From: Jennifer Burgess [mailto:j.burgess@amaq.com.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 29 January 2014 2:36 PM
To: Jo Toghill
Cc: nfalrweather.asa@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Request to Arrange a 2nd meeting with the Qld State Health Minister and Chair of ASA Qld

Dear Jo,

I referred your earlier email on to Dr Fairweather. Please see her reply below.

Dear Jo

I would like the opportunity to discuss the ongoing Senior Medical Officer Contract situation with the Minister as the situation has probably only worsened since our last meeting and I would be appealing for his intervention in the matter.

Regards
Dr Nicole Fairweather
Chair, ASA Qld

Kind Regards

Jennifer Burgess
Business Support Services Coordinator
Australian Society of Anaesthetists (Qld Branch)
Hi Jennifer,

Could you please advise the issues that the Association would like to discuss with the Minister.

Thanks

Regards

Jo

Jennifer Burgess
Business Support Services Coordinator
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Jennifer Burgess [mailto:j.burgesa@amaq.com.au]
Sent: Friday, 24 January 2014 5:09 PM
To: Jo Toghill
Subject: Request to Arrange a 2nd meeting with the Qld State Health Minister and Chair of ASA Qld
Importance: High

Dear Jo,

The Chair of the Qld Branch of the Australian Society of Anaesthetists, Dr Nicole Fairweather, is seeking another meeting with the Queensland Health Minister, Hon Lawrence Springborg MP, the Queensland Anaesthetists in Queensland.

There will be Dr Fairweather and another ASA Qld representative (name of person to be confirmed) wishing to attend this meeting.

Dr Fairweather has suggested if there was some time available in the week commencing 3 February that would be greatly appreciated.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Kind Regards

Jennifer Burgess
Business Support Services Coordinator
Australian Society of Anaesthetists (Qld Branch)
Great, will do.
You enjoy your long weekend too!
Jo

Perfect, thanks Jo. Let's lock them in.
Will confirm closer to dates re venue and parking.
Have wonderful long weekend 😊
Cheers
Erica

Now, it is my turn to apologise for the delay in getting back to you. I have selected the following dates and times from the ones you offered me:

Tuesday 4 March, 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Monday 7 April 4.00pm to 5.00pm
Monday 5 May 4.00pm to 5.00pm
Monday 2 June 4.00pm to 5.00pm

Kind regards
Jo
Good afternoon Jo

Apologies for taking so long to respond with available times, but I wanted to get as many timeslots as possible from Christian’s St Andrew’s PA as well. I believe quite a number of these will be sitting days, but I thought I’d include everything available in their calendars. I’ve put a ‘Hold’ on these timeblocks in Jane’s & Christian’s diaries, so if you can let me know as soon as you can I can free up the other spots.

Many thanks for your help Jo.

Kind regards
Erica

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Hi Jo

Many thanks for your advices earlier that the Minister will be able to attend the SMO Forum on Thursday from 5.30 to 6.30pm. I have been asked to advise that 15/20 mins will be set aside at the start of the evening for the Minister to speak, followed by a chance for audience questions.

Kind regards
Erica

From: Erica Judd
Sent: Tuesday, 21 January 2014 5:17 PM
To: Jo Toghill; health@ministerial.qld.gov.au
Cc: Erica Judd
Subject: Invitation - SMO Forum - Thursday 23 January 2014
Importance: High

Dear Minister

We understand from SMO's you spoke with today at Logan Hospital that you were interested in being invited to the SMO Forum being run by AMA Queensland and ASMOFQ this Thursday night. I note that your department has previously declined our invitation, however we now extend the invitation personally to you. Details of the Forum are set out below:-

Date: Thursday 23 January 2014
Time: 5.30pm
Venue: Victoria Park Function Centre, Herston

Would you please RSVP to Erica Judd at e.judd@amaq.com.au or on

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Erica Judd
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Dear Jo,

The Chair of the Qld Branch of the Australian Society of Anaesthetists, Dr Nicole Fairweather, is seeking a meeting with the Queensland Health Minister, Hon Lawrence Springborg MP, to discuss the specific needs of the Anaesthetists in Queensland.

There will be Dr Fairweather and another ASA Qld representative (name of person to be confirmed) wishing to attend this meeting.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Kind Regards

Jennifer Burgess
Business Support Services Coordinator
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Jo Toghill

From: Jo Toghill
Sent: Friday, 8 November 2013 1:53 PM
To: Erica Judd
Subject: RE: Meeting on 27 November

Fabulous, thanks Erica.

Have a good weekend.
Jo

From: Erica Judd
Sent: Friday, 8 November 2013 1:02 PM
To: Jo Toghill
Subject: RE: Meeting on 27 November

Hi Jo

That looks OK. I'll adjust their calendars.

Many thanks
Erica

From: Jo Toghill
Sent: Friday, 8 November 2013 11:58 AM
To: Erica Judd
Subject: Meeting on 27 November

Erica, would it be possible to move the meeting we have scheduled between the AMAQ and the Minister on 27 November at 1.00pm to 1.30pm that same day?
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Excellent – thanks Jo. Please lock those dates in (noting that the Minister is not available on the Mon or Fri).

Kind regards
Jane

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Jane, I actually had pencilled in the Minister’s diary, a possible trip to Cape York region on Tuesday 13 May to Thursday 15 May. So, these dates work in with the dates you have provided.
The Minister needs to be in Brisbane on the Monday for Cabinet and other regular meetings that he has. Also, on a Friday he likes to be in his Electorate.

Regards
Jo

Jo Toghill
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From: Jane Schmitt [mailto:j.schmitt@amaq.com.au]
Sent: Monday, 4 November 2013 3:09 PM
To: Mark Wood; Jo Toghill
Cc: Erica Judd
Subject: FW: Revised dates for Cairns/Cape York Trip in May 2013 - the Hon Lawrence Springborg

Dear Mark and Jo

We have tentatively pencilled in the following dates for the Cairns/Cape York trip that fall outside of parliamentary sitting weeks and also after the wet season concludes:

- Monday 12 May – Friday 16 May
- Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Can you please let me know if either week would suit and we can then lock the dates in.

Kind regards
Jane

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Hi Erica,

The meeting will be held in Room 5.04A in the Parliamentary Annexe. I will try and book two spots for Christian and Jane and will let you know how I get on.

Cheers
Jo
From: Erica Judd [mailto:e.judd@amaq.com.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 29 October 2013 9:56 AM
To: Jo Toghill
Cc: Erica Judd
Subject: AMA Qld / Health Minister & Assistant Health Minister - 30 Oct 13

Good morning Jo

Hope you're well. Please find attached our Agenda items for tomorrow's meeting.

Kind regards
Erica

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AGENDA

Meeting: Queensland Health and AMA Queensland
Time: 4.00pm
Date: Wednesday, 30 October 2013
Venue: Parliamentary Annexe, Room 5.04A

Attending:

From AMAQ:
Dr Christian Rowan, President AMA Queensland
Ms Jane Schmitt, CEO AMA Queensland

From Queensland Health:
Lawrence Springborg, Health Minister
Dr Chris Davis, Assistant Health Minister
Mr Mark Wood, Senior Policy Advisor

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Industrial Reform & SMO/VMO Contracts
2. Federal Health Minister
   • Senior Active Doctors
   • Addiction Medicine and MSAC recognition
3. Institute of Urban Indigenous Health
4. Queensland Injectors Health Network (QuIHN)
5. Rural Generalist and the National Advanced Rural Generalist Training Pathway
6. Remote Vocational Training Scheme
7. Drug and Alcohol Counselling & Support – Holland Park General Practice
8. Cape York Services
9. Metro North HHS
AMA Queensland invites members to join the Hon Lawrence Springborg, Minister for Health, for the second annual AMA Queensland Breakfast with the Minister. The Minister will recap on a year-in review Queensland’s healthcare over the previous twelve months and outline key priorities for Queensland Health in 2014. All guests will have an opportunity to contribute to an open Question & Answer session with the Minister following his presentation.

From: Jo Toghill
Sent: Thursday, 24 October 2013 8:03 AM
To: Alexandra Foley
Subject: FW: AMA Queensland - Minister's Breakfast 2014 - request for outline of presentation

Ally, in Clare’s absence would you please have a look at this for me? Their deadline is Monday, 28 Oct.
Thanks
Jo

From: Erica Judd
Sent: Monday, 21 October 2013 1:56 PM
To: Jo Toghill
Cc: Erica Judd; Holly Bretherton; Jane Schmitt
Subject: AMA Queensland - Minister's Breakfast 2014 - request for outline of presentation

Dear Minister,

We are delighted you are able to present at our second Annual Breakfast with the Minister, set down for Wednesday, 5th March 2014 at Moda Portside, Hamilton.
We are finalising promotional copy for the breakfast to include in our November edition of Dr Q Magazine, and to that end, I would kindly request a short paragraph overview for the breakfast (draft outline included below for your review and amendment):

AMA Queensland invites members to join the Hon Lawrence Springborg, Minister for Health, for the second annual AMA Queensland Breakfast with the Minister. The Minister will recap on a year in review and outline key priorities for Queensland Health in 2014. All guests will have an opportunity to contribute to an open Question & Answer session with the Minister following his presentation.

Please find attached last year's program for your reference, and ideally we are hoping to finalise the copy by Monday 28 October to make the November Dr Q deadline.

Thank you very much in advance and for any queries, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

With kind regards,

Holly Bretherton

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The Minister will discuss and review the 2012 implementation of national health reforms in Queensland and outline priorities for Queensland Health in 2013. All guests will have an opportunity to contribute to an open Question & Answer session with the Minister following his presentation.

**Thursday 21 February 2013**

**Time:** 7:00am for 7:30am – 9:00am  
**Venue:** Moda Portside, Hamilton  
**Cost:** $66 inc GST

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I write on behalf of the Hon Lawrence Springborg, MP, Minister for Health, to acknowledge receipt of the invitation extended to him to attend the AMAQ 2013 Bancroft Oration to be held on Thursday, 7 November, 2013 from 6.30pm at Victoria Park Golf Club, Herston.

Unfortunately, Minister Springborg will be on leave at that time and therefore cannot accept the kind invitation. Mr Springborg has asked me to pass on his sincere apologies.

Regards

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Okay, I'll speak with him. Thanks for the heads up.
Jo

Hi Jo

FYI, Jane has just mentioned that it was Andrew Bibb in the meeting when the Minister mentioned meeting the Presidents again.

Thanks for all your help.
Kind regards
Erica

Erica, I have checked this request and advise that the meeting with the 8 past Presidents was a one off, and that the Minister will continue with his regular meetings with the current President of the AMAQ. If the past Presidents want an issue raised with the Minister, it can be done via Christian, as current President.

Regards
Jo

Dear Jo

Recently, eight Presidents of AMA Queensland sent a letter to the Premier in regard to the Queensland Childrens Hospital transition. We have been advised that the Health Minister is keen to meet with the Presidents regarding this and that he would provide some available dates and times.

I was just wanting to confirm that this is the case, and if so, I look forward to hearing from you with some possible meeting times.

Kind regards
Erica
Can you please check this.
Ta
Jo

Dear Jo, is it please possible to check that the Minister is ok with sending a media alert (as below)...thank you
Sonia

Hi Margaret,

Sequel have advised that they don’t think its best to send a media alert out unless the Minister’s office will be ok with this.

The media alert would be sent to all standard media outlets plus medical media.

I will leave this with you or Sonia to confirm with the Minister’s office – we can then arrange to send an alert following their response.

Thanks in advance,

Kind regards

Holly

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From: Dr. Margaret Kay [mailto:mkay@uqconnect.net]
Sent: Wednesday, 2 October 2013 3:22 PM
To: Holly Bretherton
Subject: RE: Health Professionals' Health Conference

Yes, of course,
thanks,
Margaret

From: Holly Bretherton [h.bretherton@amaq.com.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 2 October 2013 8:16 AM
To: Dr. Margaret Kay
Subject: RE: Health Professionals' Health Conference

Hi Margaret,

Looks good – I will send it on to Sequel PR to circulate to the various mainstream and medical media outlets.

Would it be ok to include your contact mobile number for any media enquiries?

With kind regards

Holly

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From: Margaret Kay [mailto:mkay@uqconnect.net]
Sent: Tuesday, 1 October 2013 9:34 PM
To: Holly Bretherton
Subject: Health Professionals' Health Conference

Dear Holly,
I am happy if you wish to make some adjustments.
Hope this is OK,
 Regards,
Margaret
Dear Jo,

Could you please confirm as soon as possible, the expectations in regard to the protocol for introduction of the Hon Health Minister for the Health Professionals’ Health Conference, this Friday, 4th October 2013 at 8:35am? Is there a biography for the Minister that should be acknowledged on the day? I will then pass these details onto Dr Alex Markwell who will do the introduction on the day.

Thank you for your assistance,
Sonia

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Hi Sonia,

Please see below and attached for everything I sent through to Jo.

Thanks
Emily

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Dear Jo,

From: emily@yrq.com.au
Sent: Monday, 16 September 2013 4:24 PM
To: 'jo.toghill@ministerial.qld.gov.au'
Subject: RE: Health Professionals’ Health Conference Function Protocol Form

Dear Jo,

From: emily@yrq.com.au
Sent: Tuesday, 1 October 2013 1:52 PM
To: Sonia Wright
Subject: FW; RE: Health Professionals’ Health Conference Function Protocol Form

Hi Sonia,

Please see below and attached for everything I sent through to Jo.

Thanks
Emily
Please find attached 3 documents – the function protocol form, the most recent program for the conference and some background information for the Hon Lawrence Springborg, MP.

If you have any questions, or require any more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards
Emily

Emily Adams
HPHC Conference Secretariat

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Okay, no worries. I will cancel the car park.

Jo

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From: Erica Judd [mailto:e.judd@ama.com.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 10 September 2013 8:51 AM
To: Jo Toghill
Cc: Erica Judd
Subject: FW: AMA Qld meeting with Mark Wood

Hi Jo

I'm so sorry, but Jane is now going to teleconference with Mark.

Sincere apologies

Erica

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From: Erica Judd
Sent: Monday, 9 September 2013 3:59 PM
To: jo.toghill@ministerial.qld.gov.au
Cc: Erica Judd
Subject: AMA Qld meeting with Mark Wood

Hi Jo

Sorry to bother you, but Jane Schmitt has a meeting with Mark Wood tomorrow morning at 9.30am. Could you check if there's a car space available for her? Regds,

Just let me know if none available.

Many thanks

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Hi Colleen

Further to our conversation, could you please arrange parking for Christian Rowan & Jane Schmitt for tomorrow's meeting. Rego details are:

Christian
Jane

Many thanks

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Thanks so much Colleen.

Cheers

Erica

Hello Erica

I have made a request for a car park.

If there is a problem I will let you know.

Cheers

Colleen

Hi Colleen

Jane and Mark have a regular fortnightly meeting that has fallen by the wayside recently or they've just had a teleconference. They have agreed to meet on Monday morning at 9.00am at Mark's office. Are you able to arrange a carpark for Jane. Rego is

Many thanks and sorry for the short notice.
Erica Judd
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Kind regards

Erica

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Many thanks Colleen. Please find attached our Agenda Items.

Cheers

Erica

Hi Erica:

I have not received an agenda as yet. When I do I will let you know if we need to add anything to it. I have arranged parking for both Dr Rowan and Dr Schmidt.

Cheers

Colleen

Hi Colleen

Just remembered that Jo is away.....sent the below email yesterday. Can you let us know if the Minister would like to add anything to the agenda for this afternoon. I'll send our items through shortly.

Also, can you let me know if there is parking for Christian
AGENDA

Meeting: Queensland Health and AMA Queensland

Time: 1.30pm

Date: Wednesday, 27 November 2013

Venue: QHB, Level 19, 147 Charlotte Street, Brisbane

Attending:

From AMAQ:
Dr Christian Rowan, President AMA Queensland
Ms Jane Schmitt, CEO AMA Queensland

From Queensland Health:
Lawrence Springborg, Health Minister
Dr Chris Davis, Assistant Health Minister
Mr Mark Wood, Senior Policy Advisor

AGENDA ITEMS

1. SMO/VMO Contracts

2. Federal Health Minister Follow-Up
   • Senior Active Doctors Submission
   • Addiction Medicine and MSAC recognition progress

3. Cape York Services and Planned Visit

4. Gold Coast HHS – Review/Investigation Update

5. Barrett Adolescent Centre
Hi

A major barrier is that specialists are very reluctant to bulk bill. A recent study indicated that this was a significant barrier for the adoption of telehealth by specialists. Mapping of clinical workflow and referral flow processes so telehealth can augment and enable is critical.

Thanks

Christian

Dr. Christian A. C. Rowan
Deputy Chief Medical Officer
Uniting Care Health
Director of Medical Services
St A's War Memorial Hospital
Medical Director
Addiction Sciences Queensland

Sent from my iPhone

On 27/06/2013, at 8:33 AM, "Vicki Sheedy" <V.Sheedy@acrm.org.au> wrote:

Dear All,

Further to Sandra’s comments I have attached some material regarding Telehealth and cost effectiveness which may be of interest.
The spreadsheet relates to calculations regarding the MBS telehealth rebates and incentives (extracted from the ACRRM Telehealth Module at (www.ehealth.acrrm.org.au) and the ppt draws on recent research regarding cost effectiveness in general. ACRRM commissioned Dr Wade to undertake this work for ACRRM. Dr Wade is a medical practitioner who has just completed her PHD on Telehealth... this included undertaking a systematic review of cost-effectiveness etc)

Hope that this is of use

Cheers Vicki

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From: Sandra Corfield [mailto:sandra.corfield@cqrdgp.com.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 26 June 2013 9:04 PM
To: Rural_Network Rural_Network; Vicki Sheedy; Vicki Sheedy; Andrew Bryett; Dilip Dhupelia; Jan Phillips; Mark Elcock; Michael Zanco;
Dear all,

My apologies for the late response

I have added comments and suggestions around two primary concerns – we need to develop strong business models for the adoption of telehealth as a cost saver or to generate income through delivering services efficiently. The private sector has been able to demonstrate this and then support the uptake of the technology. Without the economic driver the easy argument of 'we're not funded for this' will rule even if there is the technology readily available (as it is now with the systems in hospitals chronically underutilised).

The second concern is the intent to develop one centralised service for non-acute. The capacity to utilise telehealth for acute management and retrieval is in place now with the level of usage variable for a number of reasons but one of them is the lack of relationship between the services. This results in the services being used only as a final option until the clinicians are comfortable with the services. For non-urgent services the existing technology could be used with a connection to the regional hospital A&E and specialists the rural hospitals refer to regularly. Other technology could be used for a grand round with high risk patients referred for review early and possible transfer to the regional centre or supported local management. The potential of a regional model needs to be considered prior to the development of a centralised service.

The potential for telehealth to increase access to services for patients (especially those in remote and rural communities) and the potential to increase service efficiency need to drive the service models developed.

Thanks Sandra

Sandra Cerfield
Chief Executive Officer

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Good afternoon all,

Please note that the Action from Wednesday's teleconference was for everyone to review the discussion paper (latest version attached) and add comments/edits to the document using track changes - if feedback is more generic, please provide via email to Andrew Bryett.

If you have any comments or questions you wish to discuss please either email or phone Andrew. It would be greatly appreciated if we could have your feedback by COB Tuesday 25 June.

Please note: An additional section clarifying proposed initiatives to be funded has been included in the attached draft.
Please also note your diaries for the next teleconference which is scheduled for 11 July 2013, 1 pm to 2 pm. An updated strategy document will be provided beforehand.

Thank you to everyone for providing feedback so far. The broad spectrum of input is appreciated.

Regards

Andrea

Andrea Chitakis

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Subject: Teleconference 1030 with Christian

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The Hon Lawrence Springborg, MP
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Telephone: andrew.bibb@ministerial.qld.gov.au
You got networked out on radio as well

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From: "Craig Brown" <Craig.Brown2@health.qld.gov.au>

Subject: Media Clips Saturday 25 January

Apologies for the shortened distribution list - access denied to wider distribution lists in the brave new world of Outlook.
Pages 74 through 84 redacted for the following reasons:

Irrelevant material removed under s.73 (media clips)
Hi Christian,

Please find attached invite to the event on Sunday.

Hope you can make it!

Kind Regards,

Kate

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Kate Johnson
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Office of the Hon. Campbell Newman MP | Premier of Queensland

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Great State. Great Opportunity.
Thanks. All looks good. Speak today.

Dr. Christian A. C. Rowan
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Subject: Media Clips Saturday 25 January

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s.73 - irrelevant material (copyright)
Pages 88 through 98 redacted for the following reasons:

Irrelevant material removed under s.73 (media clips)
Thanks Kate. Yes, I will attend.

Lisa, can you put all details in my diary.

Christian

Dr Christian A.C. Rowan
MBBS (Qld) MDiplTrade (Mon) FRACGP
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Visiting Medical Practitioner St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital | The Wesley Hospital
Associate Professor Addiction Medicine & Public Health | Centre for Medicine & Oral Health, Griffith University

St ANDREW'S
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Hi Christian,

Please find attached invite to the event on Sunday.

Hope you can make it!

Kind Regards,

Kate
Andrew Bibb

From: Andrew Bibb
Sent: Tuesday, 26 November 2013 11:08 AM
To: Andrew Bibb
Subject: Fwd: A message to all VMOs

Dr. Christian A. C. Rowan
Deputy Chief Medical Officer
Uniting Care Health
Director of Medical Services
St A's War Memorial Hospital
Medical Director
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Begin forwarded message:

From: AMA Queensland <membership@amaq.com.au>
Date: 26 November 2013 10:26:33 AM AEST
To: <Christian.Rowan@uchealth.com.au>
Subject: A message to all VMOs
Reply-To: <membership@amaq.com.au>

A message to all VMOs

During the past six months I have been negotiating with Qld Health regarding a suitable draft of a proposed Contract of employment for VMOs. I granted Qld Health a six month extension of our current agreement so that the expiry date is now 30th June 2014. The full year fuel allowance will be payable in February 2014.

A proposed employee contract is now available for your consideration. I wish to explain why I consider this draft deserves your serious review.

1. CURRENT ARRANGEMENT
By our own choice VMO employment is governed by a non certified agreement. We maintain our independence but have no protection of an award or reference to Qld Industrial Relations Commission (QIRC). Governments in the past have ignored expiry dates of our agreements and I have resorted to media support and pending elections to fight off two directives and agreement renewal delays of 2-1/2 and even 4 years. Individual contracts will overcome these issues as your entitlements will be reviewed annually.

2. BENEFITS IN DRAFT OF PROPOSED CONTRACT

The current draft is not a simple translation of your present entitlements, although important entitlements have been preserved.

Further benefits include:

a. Payrise of 2.2% to base salary. This is not written in the draft but is supported by the Director General and Health Minister. The policy requires ratification by a government committee due to meet in December 2013.

b. Professional Development Leave The draft gives ability to draw down on accumulated hours (4 weeks per year to 4 years), so that leave taken does not have to correspond with your sessional time (core hours) as at present. You therefore should be able to utilise the benefits of this leave unlike the present arrangement.

c. Fuel Allowance. This will be a permanent feature of your entitlement.

d. Payment for all professional services outside of core hours. This will be available in tier 2. No AVAC forms will be required.

e. Professional development assistance (PDA). This will be available to all VMOs irrespective of core hours commitment.

f. Fee for service. This option at DVA rate is maintained for clinical services outside of core hours for country VMOs. I have received support for this to be extended to Townsville Hospital. The details are not yet available and do not appear in the current draft but resolution of this issue is a caveat for my support for the present draft.

g. Private practice - schedule 3. This requires a specific signed agreement if the HHS desires it and the VMO agrees to participate. Adequate indemnity and best practice issues for distribution of funds to clinical divisions have been agreed and will be available in writing before commencement of contract employment on 1/7/2014.

3. PROVIDING CLARIFICATION ON INFORMATION CURRENTLY IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

a. A contract will significantly alter your current entitlements, remuneration or private practice income.
It is the Government's present intention to provide the same rates of pay and similar entitlements. Base rate to be increased by 2.2%. Loaded rate fixed and unchanged at 48%. PDA extended and fixed and fuel allowance fixed. You will need to negotiate your own tier 2 payment.

b. Doctors in similar positions will be paid differently.
There is no guarantee in the document of any specific level of pay, with rates of pay to be negotiated. The Department's position is that there will be a fixed base rate, with an increase of 2.2% on current rates, but that has not yet been approved as government policy. There may be variation between doctors in Tier 2, but it would seem a foolish HHS if this was attempted in the same department unless individuals agreed to vary their out of core hour commitment.

c. Superannuation can be affected.
Superannuation will be payable on the loaded rate as at present.

d. HHS chief executive can alter the terms of the contract.
The contract can only be changed by the parties to the contract by agreement. However, the Director-General can issue or change current employment related directives, which can unilaterally change entitlements. There are no restrictions on the Director-General consulting or even advising VMOs of the changes to directives.

e. Unfair dismissals and Industrial disputes - QIRC.
As explained, the VMOs are employed individually and QIRC has no jurisdiction now.

I have agreed to meet as many VMOs as possible during December. Such meetings are to be arranged by Queensland Health.

g. Negotiation time frames are unreasonable.
I agreed to extend the current agreement by 6 months to 30/6/14 to allow the contract negotiation process to occur.

h. Forced hasty decision.
You should take all the time you wish during any negotiations. More than one session may be required and is expected. Take someone with you if you wish. While you are entitled to attempt to negotiate changes to the terms of the contract, it is unlikely any changes will be agreed.

4. AREAS OF CONCERN

The Government refuses to recognise joint ownership of any intellectual property, such as copyright in research or papers, created in the course of employment.

The Government insists on having a contractual right to suspend without pay and a right to deduct pay if a VMO does not give sufficient notice of their intention to leave employment.

The Government intends to set employment conditions based on directives, which are easily changed without notice. Although the present agreement is
not a certified agreement, it has always been applied as setting guaranteed minimum terms for VMOs. Without an agreement of that nature underpinning the employment of VMOs, there can be uncertainty.

While it would be preferable to have individual contracts, with the VMO agreement as the base set of terms for all, I ask you to consider these points as you read the draft now available in relation to your own circumstances.

There have been multiple drafts before the current version. I hope any transition to contracts will allow the input of VMOs in our hospitals to increase. This is our chance to offer some real leadership.

Best wishes,

Ross Cartmill
Chairman
AMA Queensland VMO Committee
I agree.

Dr. Christian A. C. Rowan
Deputy Chief Medical Officer
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St A's War Memorial Hospital
Medical Director
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On 30/07/2013, at 3:29 PM, "Nick Buckmaster" <nick_buckmaster@health.qld.gov.au> wrote:

This meeting is now urgent, following the release of the QAO report into private practice and the publicity surrounding the release. On behalf of ASMOFQ we would appreciate an alternative time as soon as possible, as our members are expecting feedback on progress. Please note that my availability is difficult but we are willing if need be to meet outside clinical work hours.

Regards Nick Buckmaster
President ASMOFQ

>>> Lyn Rowland 30/07/2013 3:09 pm >>>
Good afternoon

Please note this meeting has needed to be cancelled and rescheduled as Lyn needs to attend a meeting with the Minister tomorrow afternoon.

I will send an email through soon to find a replacement day/time.

Apologies for the inconvenience.

Kind regards
Caroline

Caroline Lias
Executive Support Officer to Chief Human Resources Officer
Human Resource Services
System Support Services | Department of Health
Hi everyone

Apologies, I have needed to move the meeting again. Please advise if you have any concerns.

Also, please advise if you require a car park or if you will be dialling in to the teleconference.

Kind regards
Caroline

Caroline Lias
Executive Support Officer to Lyn Rowland
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Dear Mark

Jane has asked if you would be available for a quick teleconference tomorrow at 10.30am or 2.30pm? The usual Tuesday meeting time is in the calendar for next Tuesday 11 Feb, however Jane has a meeting with O and would have to miss this.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

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Good morning Mark

Just confirming that Jane is still on leave, so your scheduled recurring meeting at 9.30am today will not proceed. Apologies I should have advised earlier.

Hope you had a lovely Christmas and Happy New Year to you.

Kind regards

Erica

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Many thanks Mark.

Thanks Erica that's fine with me

Mark Wood  Principal Policy Advisor
Office of The Hon. Lawrence Springborg, MP Minister for Health
147-163 Charlotte Street, Brisbane, Qld, 4000
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E-Mail:  mark.wood@ministerial.qld.gov.au

On 16/12/2013, at 14:52, "Erica Judd" <e.judd@amaq.com.au> wrote:

Good afternoon Mark

Further to my voicemail, just checking if you are OK for 9.30am tomorrow for your regular catchup with Jane. She will give you call at that time if all is in order.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Erica
Good afternoon Mark

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I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

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Hi Mark

Just looking for some time next week when Jane is back for your catch up.....not much I'm afraid at this time of year. Please let me know if you can spare some time during one of the below timeslots.

Ø Tue 10 Dec 2.00pm to 3.30pm
Ø Thu 12 Dec 8.45am to 9.30am

Kind regards

Erica

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Mark Wood

Subject: Mark Wood & Jane Schmitt
Location: QHB, 147 Charlotte Street, Brisbane
Start: Mon 2/12/2013 9:00 AM
End: Mon 2/12/2013 10:00 AM

Recurrence: Weekly
Recurrence Pattern: Occurs on Tuesday every other week from 09:30 to 10:30 effective 30/07/2013. (UTC+10:00) Brisbane

Meeting Status: Accepted
Organizer: Erica Judd

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Hi Mark

Jane could come directly to your office first thing on Monday morning. Can we lock in 9.00am to 10.00am? I’ll update the meeting request from next Tuesday to Monday.

Many thanks

Erica

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mark Wood <Mark.Wood@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
Date: 27 November 2013 2:55:08 pm AEST
To: Jane Schmitt <j.schmitt@amaq.com.au>
Subject: Meeting Monday 2nd December

Hi Jane,

I am fairly free any time between 9am and 12 midday on Monday if you are available any time to come here

Mark

Principal Policy Adviser
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Good afternoon Mark

Just wanting to confirm that you are still OK for your meeting with Jane tomorrow morning – 9.30 Tue 22 October? If it’s OK with you, Jane has asked that she give you a call again.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Erica

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Hi Mark

Many thanks for your response. I think that should be fine, just not enough hours in the day!

I’ll have Jane call you at 9.30 on Tuesday morning.

I’ll let Jane know.....if it doesn’t suit for any reason I’ll let you know.

Kind regards

Erica

Hi Erica

Unfortunately I have a full day of meetings and can’t come over to AMAQ.

might Jane just like a telephone hookup instead

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Mark Wood  Senior Policy Advisor

Office of The Hon. Lawrence Springborg, MP Minister for Health

147-163 Charlotte Street, Brisbane, Qld, 4000

Telephone:
On 02/10/2013, at 11:08, "Erica Judd" <e.judd@amaq.com.au> wrote:

Good morning Mark
Good morning Mark

Just wanting to confirm that you are still able to meet with Jane on Tuesday morning 8 October at 9.30am?

This will be Jane’s first day back after 2 weeks away and she has back to back meetings, would you be able to attend our offices on this occasion? Please let me know if this is not suitable.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Erica

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Good morning Mark

Jane mentioned that you were going to arrange for your next meeting with her to also include the Acting Director General's office and we will also invite Dr Christian Rowan and Barb Cox from Sequel Communications.

Could you please confirm this and I shall formally invite Christian and Barb.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Erica

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Start: Tue 24/09/2013 9:30 AM
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Recurrence: (none)
Organizer: Erica Judd
Importance: High

When: Tuesday, 24 September 2013 9:30 AM-10:30 AM (UTC+10:00) Brisbane.
Where: AMA Queensland

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Dear Mark

Cancelling this meeting as Jane will be overseas.

Kind regards
Erica

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Hi Mark

Jane asked me to let you know that we've been able to organise 30 minutes with Minister Langbroek on Tuesday 17 September at 3.00pm.

Kind regards

Erica

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Hi Mark

Many thanks for your response. Now trying to move other meetings in Jane’s calendar, would you be happy for Jane to give you a call again rather than come into your offices?

Cheers

Erica

From: Mark Wood [mailto:Mark.Wood@ministerial.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Monday, 26 August 2013 1:59 PM
To: Erica Judd
Subject: RE: AMA Queensland Meeting with Mark Wood

Hi Erica

Yes all good for our meeting here at Charlotte street

Mark Wood
Principal Policy Adviser
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Hi Mark

Just wanting

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Hi Mark

Just wanting to confirm that your meeting with Jane is proceeding... scheduled for 9.30am tomorrow, Tuesday 27 August. Jane’s discussion items are attached fyi. Jane will already be in the city so she is happy to visit your office.

Please let me know if these arrangements are not in order.

Many thanks

Erica

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Mark Wood Agenda 2013 08 27.pdf (12 KB)
Hi Mark

Just wanting to confirm that this meeting is proceeding. I believe Jane moved it from Tuesday in her calendar.

Could you please confirm that 10.00am Thursday is suitable for you and that you will visit us at Kelvin Grove. If you can't make it to Kelvin Grove, Jane asks that she catch up via phone? She will be out of the office on Friday and travelling most of next week so is trying to organise everything before she goes.

Hopefully this is in order.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

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Mark Wood

From: Erica Judd <e.judd@amaq.com.au>
Sent: Monday, 29 July 2013 10:50 AM
To: Mark Wood
Subject: RE: Meeting with Jane Schmitt (AMAQ) Tuesday 30 July

Many thanks Mark. That’s fine, Jane will come into Charlotte Street.

Kind regards
Erica

From: Mark Wood [mailto:Mark.Wood@ministerial.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Monday, 29 July 2013 10:47 AM
To: Erica Judd
Subject: RE: Meeting with Jane Schmitt (AMAQ) Tuesday 30 July

Hi Erica
I have meetings following up straight after Jane so I assumed it was to be here at Charlotte Street.

Mark

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From: Erica Judd [mailto:e.judd@amaq.com.au]
Sent: Monday, 29 July 2013 10:16 AM
To: Mark Wood
Cc: Erica Judd
Subject: Meeting with Jane Schmitt (AMAQ) Tuesday 30 July

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Dear Mark

Please find attached AMA Queensland’s invitation to the Minister to officially open the ‘Health Professionals’ Health Conference 2013 on Friday 4 October 2013. The original invitation letter will be forwarded to the Minister in today’s mail.

If you have any queries in this regard please do not hesitate to contact Jane on j.schmitt@amaq.com.au or 3872 2254.

Kind regards

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Attachments: 
Qld Health Minister invitation HPHC 2013 25 July 2013.pdf (811 KB)
25 July 2013

Hon Lawrence Springborg
Minister for Health
Member for Southern Downs
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Queensland 4001 Australia
Email: health@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Minister,

We write to invite you to officially open the ‘Health Professionals’ Health Conference 2013’ being held in Brisbane from 3-5 October at the Sofitel Brisbane. The official opening of the conference will take place at 8.35am on Friday 4 October 2013 and we wish to invite you to speak for 10 minutes.

The conference is being coordinated by representatives from the Doctors’ Health Advisory Service, Australian Medical Association Queensland, Queensland Nurses Union, Australian Dental Association, Australian Physiotherapy Association and the Australian Medical Students Association. Dr Margaret Kay, representing the Doctor’s Health Advisory Service, is the Chair of the conference committee.

Further information on the conference can be found at www.hphc2013.com.au.

By way of some background, this conference recognises the enormous benefits for doctors, nurses, dentists, physiotherapists, pharmacists and other allied health professionals who engage collaboratively in the creation of a healthier workforce. By focusing on promoting resilience and balance in the lives of health professionals, this conference will move beyond documenting the health issues that confront health professions and focus on the positive transformation and empowerment of the health workforce. Clearly this will enhance our capacity to deliver better quality care to our patients.

Qld Health senior staff should also be encouraged to attend the conference for a number of reasons outlined below:

➢ There are specific sessions on mandatory reporting - given Queensland’s high reporting rates in mandatory reporting, it would be good for the senior people in Qld Health to have a clear understanding of the cross professional issues. This is perhaps the first time that we have had cross-professional discussions of this topic. We will have the first presentations of the mental health of doctors and students presented from beyondblue.

➢ We will have some of the world’s experts in doctors’ health available to lead workshops. Our program includes workshops addressing areas such as bullying and compassion fatigue. These are important issues for all health services including Qld Health.

➢ We have a workshop with a focus on educators and their responsibilities for caring for students, recognising the importance of mandatory reporting in this field as well. These are all vital issues for Qld Health.

We would be grateful if this invitation could be considered and look forward to your reply as soon as convenient. If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact Sonia Wright (Doctors’ Health Advisory Secretariat) on e: s.wright@amaq.com.au or p: 07 3872 2256.

Yours sincerely

Ms Jane Schmitt
Chief Executive Officer
Australian Medical Association Queensland
Yes indeed. Not sure if we have an agenda. Do you have any items?

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> On 17 Dec 2013, at 5:42 am, "Mark Wood" <Mark.Wood@ministerial.qld.gov.au> wrote:
> 
> Haha yeah I have a few resolutions piled up too.
> Are you coming to see the minister at 11am still?
> 
> Mark
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> On 17/12/2013, at 5:41, "Jane Schmitt" <j.schmitt@amaq.com.au> wrote:
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Thanks Neil.

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On 3 Dec 2013, at 4:27 pm, "Neil Hamilton-Smith" <Neil_Hamilton-Smith@health.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Hi Jane,

The latest is that Prof Crandon has been offered the position full time for six months while the position is advertised. That will permit a contract be let in June to the successful candidate.

Neil

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Hi Mark and Neil

I know that Prof Crandon has been in contact with you recently. Would you please provide me with an update on progress.

Thanks
Jane

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Hi Jane,

I am fairly free any time between 9am and 12 midday on Monday if you are available any time to come here.

Mark

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Great State. Great Opportunity.
Excellent – thanks Jo. Please lock those dates in (noting that the Minister is not available on the Mon or Fri).

Kind regards

Jane

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Dear Mark and Jo

We have tentatively pencilled in the following dates for the Cairns/Cape York trip that fall outside of parliamentary sitting weeks and also after the wet season concludes:

- Monday 12 May – Friday 16 May
- Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Can you please let me know if either week would suit and we can then lock the dates in.

Kind regards

Jane
Dear Dr Whiting

As discussed yesterday, I have raised the issues we talked about and which you have identified in your attached correspondence, with the Health Minister's Principal Policy Officer Mark Wood (3234 1191).

Mark is happy to meet with you and to facilitate this, I have provided Mark with your correspondence and have cc'd him into this email.

Please let me know if I can assist further. I will follow up with Mark when I next meet with him as to how things have progressed.

Kind regards
Jane

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Hi Mark

Last week in the 20th, you advised you'd get back to me to confirm Prof Crandon in the full tie director role for the upcoming 12 months of funding. Can u now confirm?

Thanks
Jane

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HI Neil - can you let me know how you are going with arranging this meeting please?

Thanks Jane

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No problem Mark. I remain concerned about QCGC. Haven't heard from Neil. Would you please chase up on an urgent basis?

Any news on finalization of medical board?

Finally is the special broadcast going out Thursday? Can I get a copy pre-release.

Kind regards

Jane

Sent from my iPhone

On 14/08/2013, at 5:13 PM, "Mark Wood" <Mark.Wood@ministerial.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Good afternoon Erica and Jane
My apologies, I will regrettably have to cancel our scheduled appointment.

I will be back in the office on Friday and will make arrangement then for another meeting date and time.

Mark

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On 13/08/2013, at 13:17, "Erica Judd" <e.judd@amaq.com.au> wrote:

Hi
Hi Neil - any update on this - meeting date?

Thanks Jane

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See below. Something to think about as same problems obviously here.

Regards
Jane

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Subject: Alcohol abuse is a massive burden on the NSW health system

Australian Medical Association (NSW) Limited
Media Release

6 August 2013
Alcohol abuse is a massive burden on the NSW health system
AMA (NSW) President, A/Prof Brian Owler, says the Auditor-General's Report on the cost of alcohol abuse to the state is a reminder that more needs to be done.
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Alcohol abuse is a massive burden on the NSW health system

AMA (NSW) President, A/Prof Brian Owler, says the Auditor-General's Report on the cost of alcohol abuse to the state is a reminder that more needs to be done.

"There are more than 1200 deaths from alcohol-related causes in NSW every year and that number was steady from 2003 to 2007.

"When broken down by gender, the number of males dying of alcohol-related causes is decreasing but the number of females dying increased by roughly the same amount," A/Prof Owler said.

"Alcohol attributable hospitalisations are on the increase – there were more than 50,000 of them in NSW in 2011-12.

"Emergency department attendances for acute alcohol problems are steady at around 9,000 a year.

"Alcohol abuse is adding a significant burden to the health system in NSW both in terms of economics and resulting in avoidable hospital presentations.

"The Audit Office estimates the total societal costs of alcohol abuse to NSW at $3.87 billion or $1,565 for every household in the state," A/Prof Owler said.

"I welcome the Auditor-General's renewed call for the State Government to look at supply side initiatives to combat alcohol abuse.

"NSW is facing a massive cost that could be avoided if the Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education's 10-point plan to combat alcohol abuse was adopted."
"This involves limiting availability of potently alcoholic drinks late at night, reducing trading hours for licensed premises and mandatory lockouts in the early morning.

"This simple suite of measures has been proven to significantly reduce the level of alcohol-related assault in Newcastle and this report is a reminder the NSW Government needs to seriously look at this to combat the state's $3.87 billion alcohol problem," A/Prof Owler said.

"Rightfully, many are calling for people to exercise personal responsibility.

"However, when one of the primary effects of alcohol on a person is to reduce their inhibitions, we should be looking at ensuring everyone involved in getting an alcoholic beverage to someone is acting responsibly also.

"Evidence shows the best way to combat alcohol abuse is to ensure people are responsible as well as the venues and regulations surrounding drinking," A/Prof Owler said.

"Additionally, we cannot take the idea of alcohol abusing user pays too far, we cannot make cost a factor that stops people seeking medical care or support for alcohol issues," A/Prof Owler said.

Media contacts:
Lachlan Jones (02) 9902 8113 / 0419 402 955
Hi Mark – just to follow up on our discussion today to ensure that the Minister is willing and available to open the Conference on 4 October in Brisbane at 8.35am (see my recent letter with all details). The committee is on my back!

Regards

Jane

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Mark Wood

From: Jane Schmitt <j.schmitt@amaq.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 24 July 2013 3:20 PM
To: Jane Schmitt; Mark Wood
Cc: Erica Judd; 'neilhamilton-smith@bigpond.com'
Subject: RE: Action points from our meeting on 18 July

HI Mark - would you please come back to me on action point 2-4 below. We have now received the Biala report.

Regards

Jane

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I will attend Bruce.
Christian

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Uniting Care Health

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St A’s War Memorial Hospital

Medical Director
Addiction Sciences Queensland

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On 12/06/2013, at 5:48 AM, "Bruce Chater" <bruce.chater@theodoremdu.com.au> wrote:

Thansk Sabina

Assoc Prof Alan Bruce Chater
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Associate Professor and Head of the Discipline - Rural and Remote Medicine

and

Deputy Chair, Clinical School Management Committee

Rural Clinical School

The University of Queensland

Website www.som.uq.edu.au

Past President

Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM)
I am available.

Sabina

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Dear All,

From: Bruce Chater [mailto:bruce.chater@theodoremedical.com.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 6:56 AM
To: Ewen McPhee; Christian Rowan; Vicki's email; Knight, Sabina; Sandra Corfield; Dillip Dhupelia; Sandra Corfield; president@rdq.com.au; Marg Moss
Cc: Rural_Network@health.qld.gov.au; Michael Zanco; Andrew Bryett; Mark.Wood@ministerial.qld.gov.au
Subject: Telehealth plan
Most of you would be aware of the Ministerial direction to the SRRCN to provide him with a plan for Telehealth by the end of July. I have, after discussion with the Minister asked Dr Ewen McPhee, our lead in this area, to provide this report.

Mr Andrew Bryett will be providing technical and issue papers to support the recommendation process.

The first meeting of the reference group for this project will be held on this Thursday at 7.30pm. Could you please indicate to Andrea Chitakis at Rural_Network@health.qld.gov.au if you or, if necessary, your nominee will be able to attend. Andrea will in due course provide teleconference details.

The draft agenda is:

Opening and welcome by Chair SRRCN

Attendance

Review of membership

Issues & Options paper

Presentation

Discussion

Directions

Development of strategy paper

Consultation

Distribution

Timelines

Next meeting

I apologise for the tight timeframes but with the final report due at the end of July, the consultation period will have to begin within the next 10 days.
Regards

Bruce

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