

Agency Management Committee communiqué

February 2020

The 117th meeting of the [Agency Management Committee](#) (AManC) was held on Tuesday, 18 February 2020 in Melbourne. This Communiqué highlights key discussions and considerations from the meeting.

The Chair acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the lands on which the meeting was being held and paid respect to their Elders, past and present.

Chair's report

Members noted the verbal update from the Chair, including attendance at the Forum of NRAS Chairs meeting held 7 February 2020.

CEO report

Members noted the written report and the verbal update from CEO Mr Fletcher, including:

- improved stakeholder communication has been a priority during the graduate registration campaign with positive feedback received from education providers, professional associations and Boards – overall feedback indicates the process has gone much more smoothly
- tranche 2 progression and the two proposed amendments to the National Law that Ministers have approved in-principle:
 - to amend the guiding principles of the National Law, to make explicit that the guiding principle for administering the Act is that public protection and confidence in the National Scheme is paramount; and
 - to require National Boards and/or AHPRA to notify an employer of a matter, during the notification or investigation process, if National Boards or AHPRA reasonably believes that the conduct may pose a serious risk to public safety
- publication of the results of the first Medical Training Survey – overall very well received with a lot of interest and engagement with the data and the findings. The survey will be repeated at medical renewals this year
- a new business case for the future development of Digital House is being developed and will be presented to the March FARMC meeting, prior to consideration by the AManC.

Business items

In other business items, the Committee:

- approved the draft National Scheme Strategy 2020-2025 for consultation with National Boards
- endorsed the final terms of reference for commissioning work on a workforce model
- noted that the two policy directions issued by the COAG Health Council were published on 22 January 2020 and endorsed the proposed implementation plan
- welcomed a cultural safety training presentation delivered by PricewaterhouseCoopers Indigenous Consulting and Griffith University First Peoples Health Unit
- noted the findings from the social research project 2019
- noted the provisional budget timetable for FY20-21.

Next meeting of the Agency Management Committee - 17 March 2019, in Melbourne

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