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This annual report is presented to Parliament to meet the statutory reporting requirements of the *Public Sector Act 2009*, the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and the *Health Care Act 2008* and meets the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular *PC013 Annual Reporting*.

This report is verified to be accurate for the purposes of annual reporting to the Parliament of South Australia.

Submitted on behalf of the Port Pirie Health Service Advisory Council by:

Barry Hay
Presiding Member



20 September 2017

Signature

Date

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Section A: Reporting required under the *Public Sector Act 2009*, the *Public Sector Regulations 2010* and the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*

Agency purpose or role

The Health Advisory Council was established by the then Minister for Health and Ageing to undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community and to provide advice in relation to health matters, amongst other functions.

The rules are available at <http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/CountryHealthSA>

Objectives

The Health Advisory Council undertakes an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Key strategies and their relationship to SA Government objectives

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Agency programs and initiatives and their effectiveness and efficiency

The Health Advisory Council undertakes an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Legislation administered by the agency

The Health Advisory Council undertakes an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Organisation of the agency

Health Advisory Councils in country South Australia undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community. The Country Health SA Local Health Network Health Advisory Council Inc (Governing Council) acts as an 'umbrella body' for other Health Advisory Councils, providing advice from a whole of country perspective.

Regional Presiding Member representatives also come together as the Presiding Member Panel to facilitate communication exchange between the local Health Advisory Councils and the Governing Council.

Membership of the Health Advisory Council can include:

- Up to eight community members
- Nominee of Local Government
- A local Member of Parliament or their nominee
- A medical practitioner member
- A worker from Country Health SA Local Health Network

A list of current members is available at:

<http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/CountryHealthSA>

Other agencies related to this agency (within the Minister's area/s of responsibility)

- Country Health SA Local Health Network Inc
- Country Health SA Local Health Network Health Advisory Council Inc (Governing Council)
- Balaklava Riverton Health Advisory Council Inc
- Lower North Health Advisory Council Inc
- Mid North Health Advisory Council Inc
- Northern Yorke Peninsula Health Advisory Council Inc
- Port Broughton District Hospital and Health Service Advisory Council Inc
- Southern Flinders Health Advisory Council
- Yorke Peninsula Health Advisory Council Inc

Employment opportunity programs

The Health Advisory Council consists of volunteers who undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

Agency performance management and development systems

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Occupational health, safety and rehabilitation programs of the agency and their effectiveness

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Fraud detected in the agency

Category/nature of fraud	Number of instances
Nil to report	0

Strategies implemented to control and prevent fraud

Health Advisory Councils have specific functions and powers as defined in the *Health Care Act 2008* and the Constitution (for incorporated Health Advisory Councils or Rules (for non incorporated Health Advisory Councils), including actions that cannot be undertaken without the approval of the Minister.

Health Advisory Councils are instrumentalities of the Crown and subject to relevant Department of Treasury and Finance Treasurers Instructions.

The Constitutions / Rules identify the actions to be undertaken in the event of a conflict of interest. All declared conflicts of interest are reported to the Minister for Health through Country Health SA Local Health Network Inc.

Data for the past five years is available at:

<https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/resources/country-health-sa-local-health-network>

Whistle-blowers' disclosure

Number of occasions on which public interest information has been disclosed to a responsible officer of the agency under the *Whistle-blowers' Protection Act 1993* 0

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Executive employment in the agency

The Health Advisory Committee consists of volunteers who undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community.

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Consultants

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged by the agency, the nature of work undertaken and the total cost of the work undertaken.

Consultants	Purpose	Value
All consultancies below \$10,000 each Nil		0
Consultancies above \$10,000 each Nil		0
Total all consultancies Nil		0

Data for the past five years is available at:

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See also <https://www.tenders.sa.gov.au/tenders/index.do> for a list of all external consultancies, including nature of work and value. See also the Consolidated Financial Report of the Department of Treasury and Finance <http://treasury.sa.gov.au/> for total value of consultancy contracts across the SA Public Sector.

Financial performance of the agency

As the Health Advisory Council is unincorporated, its assets and liabilities are included in the financial reports of Country Health SA Local Health Network Health Advisory Council Inc.

Other financial information

Nil to report.

Other information requested by the Minister(s) or other significant issues affecting the agency or reporting pertaining to independent functions

Nil to report.

Section B: Reporting required under any other act or regulation

Health Care Act 2008

Part 4 Health Advisory Councils, Division 2 Functions and Powers, 18 Functions

The Health Advisory Council acts as an advocate to promote the interests of the community. During the year, activities have included the following:

- Engaged in education around Aged Care Reform, and National Disability Insurance Scheme for the purpose of supporting consumers to access services through the relevant programs.
- Actively promoted Country Health Connect and the services available to the community.
- Members attended a Drug and Alcohol Forum sponsored by the Hon Geoff Brock MP, Member for Frome.
- The Presiding Member participates in the Country Health SA Local Health Network Presiding Members Panel meetings held bi-monthly.
- Members participate in bi-monthly Yorke and Northern Region Partnering with Consumer meetings to facilitate better health outcomes for our community.
- Members have engaged with the Aboriginal Health and Community Group to look at ways of improving health outcomes for Aboriginal people.
- Provided feedback and advice to visiting Members of Parliament and visiting senior Country Health SA Local Health Network staff.
- Encourage community participation in programs.
- Provided comment and feedback on the patient survey.
- Involved in the development of the health service history project regarding service development and community involvement.
- Engaged with a Primary Health Care representative and provided feedback.
- Participated in Country Health SA Local Health Network Combined Health Advisory Council Conference held in June 2017.

Reporting required under the *Carers' Recognition Act 2005*

Not Applicable.

Section C: Reporting of public complaints as requested by the Ombudsman

Summary of complaints by subject

A whole of SA Health response is provided in the Department for Health and Ageing 2016-17 Annual Report, which can be accessed on the [SA Health website](#).

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