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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 Augusta, Roxby Downs & Woomera Health Advisory Council by:

Karyn Reid

Presiding Member



21/9/2017

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 [Port Augusta Roxby Downs Woomera HAC Website](#)

Objectives

The Port Augusta Roxby Downs & Woomera 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

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Legislation administered by the agency

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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 nine community members
- 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:

[Port Augusta Roxby Downs Woomera HAC Website](#)

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)

Leigh Creek Health Services Health Advisory Council

Whyalla Hospital and Health Services Health Advisory Council Health Advisory Council

Quorn Health Services Health Advisory Council

Hawker Memorial District Health Advisory Council

Employment opportunity programs

The Port Augusta Roxby Downs & Woomera 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

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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

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

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

- *Provide advice about relevant aspect of the provision of health services, and relevant health issues, goals, priorities, plans and strategic initiatives.*
 - Representation on Regional Governance Committees: Regional Quality & Safety Committee, Regional Culture & Innovations Committee.
 - Representative on Country Health SA Governance Committees: Country Health SA Clinical Governance Committee.
 - Participation in two delegations to the Social Development Committee Inquiry into Regional Health Services, and the provision of written submissions to this review.
 - Participation in the Health Performance Council review of Health Advisory Councils 2016-17.
 - Participation and leadership development of a Partnership Framework for Country Health SA and Health Advisory Councils across country SA ie strategies to increase successful communication and engagement between Country Health SA and Health Advisory Councils.
 - Successful advocacy to State and Federal and Departments for funding support for “Our House”, a community mental health support group in Port Augusta.
 - Correspondence with Drug & Alcohol Services South Australia concerning vacant Community Drug and Alcohol positions within our Region.
 - Continuing review and advocacy concerning medical workforce depletion in Port Augusta which effects primary and secondary health care in the community.
- *Encourage community participation in programs.*
 - Representation of Accreditation Standard work Parties: Regional Standard 2 Work Group.
 - Two Health Advisory Council members have co-facilitated and delivered Consumer Experience and Patient Centred Care training to staff in Port Augusta Hospital (Service Matters – Going the Extra Mile).
 - Review and implementation of a “Community Engagement Plan 2016-17 for Port Augusta, Roxby Downs and Woomera communities.
 - Attendance at the Port Augusta Healthy Ageing Forum and Roxby Downs Health Forum to provide information and community consultation and engagement opportunities.
 - Representation on the Presiding Member Panel, Country Health SA Local Health Network.

- *Consult with other bodies that are interested in the provision of health services.*
 - Two monthly meeting with local SA Primary Health Network.
 - Two monthly exchange of information with the Roxby Downs Health Forum.
- *Participate in consultation or assessment process associated with the selection of senior staff.*
 - Representation on the selection panel for the Port Augusta Hospital Director of Nursing and Midwifery position.

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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Complaint Outcomes

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Appendix: Audited financial statements 2016-17

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