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Health Advisory Council Inc  
2018-19 Annual Report**

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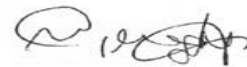
This report is verified to be accurate for the purposes of annual reporting to the Parliament of South Australia.

Submitted on behalf of the Northern Adelaide Local Health Network Health Advisory Council Inc by:

Maree Geraghty  
Chief Executive Officer

Date 30 September 2019

Signature



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## Overview: about the agency

### Our strategic focus

The Northern Adelaide Local Health Network Health Advisory Council Inc (also referred to as the Governing Council) was established by the then South Australian Minister for Health and Ageing to undertake an advocacy role on behalf of the community, and to provide advice to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing and the Northern Adelaide Local Health Network (NALHN) in relation to health matters, among other functions. In accordance with the requirements of Section 17 of the *Health Care Act 2008* the Governing Council has been governed by a Constitution determined by the Minister. The Constitution is available at <http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/nalhn>.

### Our organisational structure

The Governing Council undertakes an advocacy role on behalf of the north and north-eastern Adelaide community, and provides advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN. NALHN provides administrative support to ensure the proper functioning of the Governing Council.

The Governing Council comprises of no fewer than six and not more than eight Members, including a Presiding Member. When making appointments to the Governing Council, the Minister has regard for the need to ensure the membership has an appropriate mix of skills and expertise required to oversee and provide guidance to NALHN. The composition of the Governing Council is illustrated below:

Position	Name	Role
Presiding Member	Mr Stephen Hains	Chair
Hospital or Health Service Management	Professor Brenda Wilson	Council Member
Hospital or Health Service Management	Ms Judith Smith	Council Member
Clinical	Dr Simon Jenkins	Council Member
Clinical	Dr Girolamo Vinci	Council Member
Business or Financial Management	Ms Madeleine Frost	Council Member
Health Consumer	Ms Nadia Moffatt	Council Member

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Role</b>
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander	Mr Frank Lampard	Council Member

### **Changes to the agency**

During 2018-19 there were the following changes as a result of the introduction of SA Health governance reforms:

- The Governing Council ceased meeting after March 2019 and transitioned advisory functions to the NALHN Governing Board.

### **Our Minister**



Hon Stephen Wade MLC is the Minister for Health and Wellbeing in South Australia.

The Minister oversees health, wellbeing, mental health, ageing well, substance abuse and suicide prevention.

### **Our Executive team**

Not applicable.

### **Legislation administered by the agency**

Not applicable.

### **Other related agencies (within the Minister's area/s of responsibility)**

Northern Adelaide Local Health Network

## The agency's performance

### Performance at a glance

The Governing Council has undertaken an advocacy role on behalf of the community and has provided advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN.

### Agency contribution to whole of Government objectives

Key objective	Agency's contribution
More jobs	The Governing Council has undertaken an advocacy role on behalf of the community and has provided advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN.
Lower costs	The Governing Council has undertaken an advocacy role on behalf of the community and has provided advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN.
Better Services	The Governing Council has undertaken an advocacy role on behalf of the community and has provided advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN.

### Agency specific objectives and performance

Agency objectives	Indicators	Performance
The Governing Council has undertaken an advocacy role on behalf of the community and has provided advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN.	Nil	Not assessed

### Corporate performance summary

Not applicable.

### Employment opportunity programs

Program name	Performance
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Nil	The Governing Council has undertaken an advocacy role on behalf of the community and has provided advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN.
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### Agency performance management and development systems

Performance management and development system	Performance
The Governing Council has undertaken an advocacy role on behalf of the community and has provided advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN.	Not assessed

### Work health, safety and return to work programs

Program name	Performance
The Governing Council has undertaken an advocacy role on behalf of the community and has provided advice in relation to health matters and other functions to the Minister and NALHN.	Not assessed

Workplace injury claims	Current year	Past year	% Change
	2018-19	2017-18	(+ / -)
Total new workplace injury claims	0	0	0
Fatalities	0	0	0
Seriously injured workers*	0	0	0
Significant injuries (where lost time exceeds a working week, expressed as frequency rate per 1000 FTE)	0	0	0

\*number of claimants assessed during the reporting period as having a whole person impairment of 30% or more under the Return to Work Act 2014 (Part 2 Division 5)

Work health and safety regulations	Current year	Past year	% Change
	2018-19	2017-18	(+ / -)
Number of notifiable incidents ( <i>Work Health and Safety Act 2012, Part 3</i> )	0	0	0



Number of provisional improvement, improvement and prohibition notices ( <i>Work Health and Safety Act 2012 Sections 90, 191 and 195</i> )	0	0	0
<b>Return to work costs**</b>	Current year	Past year	% Change
	2018-19	2017-18	(+ / -)
Total gross workers compensation expenditure (\$)	0	0	0
Income support payments – gross (\$)	0	0	0

*\*\*before third party recovery*

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/northern-adelaide-local-health-network>

### **Executive employment in the agency**

Not applicable.

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/northern-adelaide-local-health-network>

The [Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment](#) has a [workforce information](#) page that provides further information on the breakdown of executive gender, salary and tenure by agency.

## Financial performance

### Financial performance at a glance

The Governing Council has not had an allocated budget and has not incurred any expenditure in the 2018-19 financial year.

Member fees are paid by NALHN, and therefore included in their audited financial statements for the 2018-19 financial year.

### Consultants disclosure

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged by the agency, the nature of work undertaken, and the actual payments made for the work undertaken during the financial year.

#### Consultancies with a contract value below \$10,000 each

Consultancies	Purpose	\$ Actual payment
All consultancies below \$10,000 each - combined	Nil	0

#### Consultancies with a contract value above \$10,000 each

Consultancies	Purpose	\$ Actual payment
Not applicable	Nil	0
	Total	0

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/northern-adelaide-local-health-network>

See also the Consolidated Financial Report of the Department of Treasury and Finance <https://www.treasury.sa.gov.au> for total value of consultancy contracts across the South Australian Public Sector.

### Contractors disclosure

The following is a summary of external contractors that have been engaged by the agency, the nature of work undertaken, and the actual payments made for work undertaken during the financial year.

**Contractors with a contract value below \$10,000**

<b>Contractors</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>\$ Actual payment</b>
All contractors below \$10,000 each - combined	Nil	0

**Contractors with a contract value above \$10,000 each**

<b>Contractors</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>\$ Actual payment</b>
Not applicable	Nil	0
	Total	0

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/northern-adelaide-local-health-network-governing-council>

The details of South Australian Government-awarded contracts for goods, services, and works are displayed on the [SA Tenders and Contracts](#) website. View the agency list of contracts. The website also provides details of across government contracts.

**Other information**

The Governing Council met three times during 2018-19 to review strategy, key performance indicators and metrics.

## Risk management

### Risk and audit at a glance

Not applicable

### Fraud detected in the agency

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

*NB: Fraud reported includes actual and reasonably suspected incidents of fraud.*

### 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 Treasurer's Instructions.

The Constitutions and 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 and Wellbeing through NALHN.

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/northern-adelaide-local-health-network-governing-council>

### Whistle-blowers disclosure

Number of occasions on which public interest information has been disclosed to a responsible officer of the agency under the *Whistleblowers Protection Act 1993*:

0

Data for previous years is available at: <https://data.sa.gov.au/data/dataset/northern-adelaide-local-health-network-governing-council>

## Reporting required under any other act or regulation

Act or Regulation	Requirement
<i>Health Care Act 2008 (SA)</i>	
Part 4 – Health Advisory Councils Division 2 – Functions and Powers Section 18 – Functions	<p><i>(a) To act as an advocate to promote the interests of the community.</i></p> <p><i>(b) To provide advice about any relevant aspect of the provision of health services from the perspective of consumers of those services, any carers or volunteers or community more generally.</i></p> <p><i>(c) To provide advice about relevant health issues, goals, priorities, plans and other strategic initiatives.</i></p>
Part 4 – Health Advisory Councils Division 3 – Related Matters Section 22 – Annual Report	<p><i>(1) A Health Advisory Council must within 3 months after the end of each financial year, deliver to the Minister a report on the operations of the Health Advisory Council during that financial year.</i></p>

### Reporting required under the *Carers’ Recognition Act 2005*

Not applicable.

## **Public complaints**

### **Number of public complaints reported (as required by the Ombudsman)**

A whole of SA Health response is provided in the Department for Health and Wellbeing 2018-19 Annual Report which can be accessed on the SA Health website.

## **Appendix: Audited financial statements 2018-19**

The Governing Council has not had an allocated budget. Expenditure relating to the Governing Council fees have been paid by NALHN, and therefore included in NALHN's audited financial statement for the 2018-19 financial year.