

MEDIA RELEASE MANAGEMENT OF HEALTH CARE DELIVERY – LISMORE PUBLIC FORUM

The NSW Parliament Public Accounts Committee is currently conducting an inquiry into the management of health care delivery in NSW. As part of its evidence gathering, the Committee will be visiting Lismore on Tuesday, 24 October 2017.

"The Committee is examining the effectiveness and adequacy of existing processes for monitoring and reporting on the delivery of health care services for the people of New South Wales", the Chair of the Committee, Mr Bruce Notley-Smith MP said. "This inquiry presents a timely opportunity to examine whether health practitioners and administrators have sufficient information to deliver high quality services and whether patients and their carers are also provided with reliable information to make informed choices about accessing the health system."

In order to consult people who have had recent first-hand contact with the health system and to learn from their experience, the Committee will conduct a public forum to enable those who have made submissions and other interested members of the public to participate and engage in free and open discussion.

"On behalf of the Committee I invite anyone who would like to make a contribution to the inquiry to come to the public forum to be held in the Lismore Workers Club, commencing at 2.00pm on Tuesday 24 October", Mr Notley-Smith said. "This forum will provide an opportunity for participants to make practical and constructive recommendations for the Committee to consider as part of its work and in writing its report".

The visit to Lismore will be followed by two days of formal public hearings at Parliament House in Sydney on 30 and 31 October 2017, where evidence will be taken from a range of agencies and peak organisations representing the health sector.

For media comment, please contact Bruce Notley-Smith MP on (02) 9398 1822. Further information about the inquiry can be obtained by visiting the Committee's webpage at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/pac or by contacting Bjarne Nordin, Committee Manager, on (02) 9230 2843.

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