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Public Works and Accountability Committee's inquiry into the NSW Government's use and management of consulting services

Dear Ms Boyd

I refer to your request for further information on NSW Health's response to questions on notice taken during the inquiry hearing into the NSW Government's use and management of consulting services held on 15 June 2023.

Please find enclosed NSW Health's answers to your further questions, and a list of local health district board members.

For more information, please contact Seija Duffy, A/Director, Executive and Ministerial Services, NSW Ministry of Health at

Yours sincerely

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Encl. NSW Health response to further questions

NSW Government's use and management of consulting services

Hearing – 15/06/2023

Further Questions in response to NSW Health responses to Questions on Notice

Having reviewed the answers provided, the committee has requested elucidation on certain answers, in line with the intent of the original questions:

Question 16 – page 27:

The question asks for analyses that were provided to the Minister in consideration of appointments to Local Health District Boards. Please provide a list of current board members and the capability profile of each board. This does not need to include the names of individuals who are being considered for appointments.

Response

Listings for each Local Health District Board are provided as an attachment (TAB A), with information current as at 12 July 2023. These include a list of the appointed member's name with the selection criteria that the member has been appointed to.

For reference, the selection criteria for a Local Health District Board is established by section 26 of the *Health Services Act 1997*, where:

26 Constitution of local health district boards

1. A local health district board is to be established for each local health district.
2. A local health district board is to consist of 6 to 13 persons appointed by the Minister, selected in accordance with subsections (3) and (4).
3. The Minister is to select the membership of a local health district board so that the membership of the board has an appropriate mix of skills and expertise required to oversee and provide guidance to the district, including members who -
 - a) have expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management, and
 - b) have expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services, and
 - c) where appropriate, are representatives of universities, clinical schools or research centres, and
 - d) have knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district, and
 - e) have other backgrounds, skills, expertise, knowledge or experience appropriate for the district.
4. A local health district board is to have at least one member (who may also be one of the kinds of members referred to in subsection (3)(a)–(e)) who has expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal health.

The initial response to question 16 provides an overview of the information considered for each candidate as part of the appointment process.

Question 26 – pages 33-34:

The question asks about a change in accounting practice that appeared to be replicated across the local health districts. The answer provided on notice was that it was prompted by a 'management decision'. Please provide information on what prompted this change of policy and whether the change was initiated by NSW Health. Further, please provide a copy of any directive that instituted that change.

Response

Before 2014-15, when the consultancies spend was split into “capital works” and “others”, the amounts reported for the “capital works” component were typically very low or nil. For example, in the 2 years before the reporting change, 2012-13 and 2013-14, the total NSW Health figure for “capital works” was nil.

Given that these very low or nil amounts were continuing to be reported, the Ministry of Health reviewed the utility of this split into “capital works” and “others”, and determined that users of the financial statements would not be disadvantaged by aggregating the two components into a single ‘consultancies’ item.

The Ministry of Health instituted this change through an amendment to the financial statements pro-forma, completed annually by all reporting Health entities.

Central Coast Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Mr	Timothy	Ebbeck	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
2	Ms	Belinda	Field	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4))
3	Mr	Gregory	Flint	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
4	Mr	Gregor	Healy	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
5	Dr	Brent	Jenkins	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management - Health Services Act 1997 s.26(3)(a)
6	Mr	Robert	King	Section 26(3)(d) of the Health Service Act 1997 Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district
7	Professor	Tracy	Levett-Jones	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b)). Representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
8	Professor	Donald	MacLellan	expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a) and Chair s26(7) of the Health Services Act 1997
9	Dr	William	Munro	Provision of clinical and other health services s26(3)(b)
10	Ms	Sarah	Winter	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district, s26(3)(d)

Far West Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	A/Prof	Lilon	Bandler	Provision of clinical and other health services s26(3)(b)
2	Ms	Mariette	Curcuruto-Dunlevy	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
3	Mr	Wincen	Cuy	Knowledge and understanding of the community s26(3)(d)
4	Mr	Justin	Files	Knowledge and understanding of local community (s26(3)(d))
5	Mr	Paul	Kemp	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
6	Mr	Jason	Masters	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
7	Ms	Sally	Pearce	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a)) and s 26(7) Chair
8	Mrs	Pamela	Tucker	Knowledge and understanding of local community (s26(3)(d))

Hunter New England Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Dr	Martin	Cohen	expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services s26(3)(b) and Chair s26(7) of the Health Services Act 1997
2	Mr	Kevin	Dupe	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
3	Dr	Patrick	Farrell	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
4	Mr	Robert	Hawes	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
5	Ms	Meagan	Hudson	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management, (s26(3)(a))
6	Ms	Anita	Kauffmann	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s 26(3)(a))
7	Dr	Kirsten	Molloy	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
8	Mrs	Elizabeth	Nicol	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
9	Professor	Peter	O'Mara	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4)). Representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
10	Professor	Penelope	Paliadelis	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a) and are representatives of universities, clinical schools or research centres s26(3)(c)
11	Dr	Stephen	Pryde	Expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
12	Mrs	Alice (Wendy)	Wilks	Knowledge and understanding of the local community (s26(3)(d))

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Mr	Christopher	Bertinshaw	expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a) and Chair s26(7) of the Health Services Act 1997
2	Mr	Jonathan	Boswell	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
3	Hon	David	Campbell	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
4	Ms	Suzanne	Clapham	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4)) and knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district (s26(3)(d))
5	Ms	Jenifer	Collins	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
6	Ms	Janine	Cullen	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a)).
7	Mr	Alan	Hudson	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s.26(3)(a))
8	Mr	Peter	McDonald	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
9	Associate Professor	Rod	McMahon	other backgrounds, skills, expertise, knowledge or experience appropriate for the district (s26(3)(e))
10	Mr	Nikola (Nick)	Mitrevski	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
11	Dr	Richard	Morris	have expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
12	Ms	Marilyn	Smith	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management(s26(3)(a))

Murrumbidgee Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Mrs	Mary	Atkinson	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district (S26(3)(d))
2	Ms	Elke	Cleverdon	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a).
3	Ms	Elizabeth	Dixon	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management.(26(3)(a))
4	Dr	Glynis	Ingram	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
5	Mr	John	Ireland	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management, Health Services Act s26(3)(a)
6	Mr	Andrew	Jones	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
7	Mr	Anthony	Kolbe	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
8	Mr	Adrian	Lindner	s26(3)(a) expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management, clause 3(2) Schedule 4A Acting Chairperson
9	Dr	Inthikab Alam	Mohamed Yoosuff	expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
10	Ms	Cheryl	Penrith	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4))

Mid North Coast Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Dr	Jennifer	Beange	Section 26(3)(e) of the Health Services Act 1997 - Understanding of or experience in Primary Care
2	Mr	Michael	Coulter	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management. Section 26(3)(a) of the Health Services Act 1997
3	The Honourable	Luke	Hartsuyker	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
4	Mr	Gary	Humphreys	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
5	Mrs	Susan	McGinn	expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
6	Dr	Shehnarz	Salindera	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b)). Representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
7	Mrs	Tracy	Singleton	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district Expertise (s26(3)(d) and knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4))
8	Mr	Peter	Treseder	Under section 26(3)(a) expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management and 26(7) of the Health Services Act 1997, one of the members is, by the relevant instrument of the appointment or by a further instrument signed by the Minister, to be appointed as the chairperson of the board
9	Mrs	Jennifer	Zirkler	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))

Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Mr	Murray	Austin	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
2	The Hon	Peter	Collins	Knowledge and understanding of local community (s26(3)(d)) and under s 26(7) one member is, by the relevant instrument of appointment or by a further instrument signed by the Minister, to be appointed as the chairperson of the board.
3	Associate Professor	Stephen	Fuller	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a)). Representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
4	Mr	Stan	Grant	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district, (s26(3)(d)) and expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal health (s26(4))
5	Mr	Robert	Lagaida	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
6	Dr	Nhi	Nguyen	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
7	Dr	Antonio	Rombola	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b)) Health Services Act 1997
8	Ms	Pamela	Rutledge	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
9	A/Prof	Ian	Seppelt	Provision of clinical and other health services s26(3)(b) of the Health Services Act 1997.

Northern NSW Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Dr	Catherine	Adams	Provision of clinical and other health services s26(3)(b)
2	Dr	Alasdair	Arthur	Provision of clinical and other health services. Health Services Act 1997 s.26(3)(b)
3	Ms	Carolyn	Byrne	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
4	Mr	Michael	Carter	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
5	Mr	Peter	Carter	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a)) and Chair (s26(7))
6	The Honourable	Thomas	George	knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district s26(3)(d)
7	Mr	Ian (Patrick)	Grier	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a)). Representative of universities, clinical schools or reserach centres (s26(3)(c))
8	Dr	John	Griffin	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
9	Ms	Naree	Hancock	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
10	Mr	Scott	Monaghan	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4))
11	Professor	Susan	Nancarrow	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a) and representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
12	Dr	Andrew	White	Expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))

Northern Sydney Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Professor Emerita	Elizabeth (Mary)	Chiarella	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a)) and Representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
2	Mr	Trevor	Danos	section 26(3)(a) Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management and 26(7) Chair
3	Ms	Karen	Filocamo	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
4	The Honourable	Patricia	Forsythe	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
5	Mr	Andrew	Goodsall	Appointed as member for his expertise in business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
6	Mr	Brad	Goodwin	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4)) and other backgrounds, skills, expertise, knowledge or experience appropriate for the district (s26(3)(e))
7	Mr	Christopher	Greatrex	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
8	Mr	Adam	Johnston	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district s.26(3)(d)
9	Ms	Nadia	Levin	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (26(3)(a))
10	Dr	Donna	Lynch	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
11	Dr	Michelle	Mulligan	Provision of clinical and other health services s26(3)(b)
12	Mrs	Kimberley	Reynolds	Have other backgrounds, skills, expertise, knowledge or experience appropriate for the district s26(3)(e)
13	Dr	Stephanie	Teoh	Health Services Act 1997 (s.26(3)(b)) - Expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services

South Eastern Sydney Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Ms	Elli	Baker	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management,(s26(3)(a))
2	Mr	Arthur	Diakos	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
3	Mr	Jonathan	Doy	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
4	Dr	Jan	Dudley	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b)).
5	Dr	John	Estell	Expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
6	Dr	Debra	Graves	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
7	Ms	Anna	Guillan	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a)) of the Health Services Act
8	Mr	Liam	Harte	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4))
9	Dr	Gregory	Levenston	Knowledge and understanding of local community (s26(3)(d))
10	Ms	Helene	Orr	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
11	Professor	Allan	Spigelman	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
12	Mr	Michael	Still	Appointed as member for his expertise in business management and financial management s26(3)(a) and appointed as Chairperson of the board s26(7) of the Health Services Act 1997

Sydney Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Mr	Richard	Acheson	Knowledge and understanding of the community (s26(3)(d))
2	The Honourable	John	Ajaka	expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a) and Chair s26(7) of the Health Services Act 1997
3	Ms	Kim	Belleair	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4))
4	Adj Prof	Karen	Crawshaw	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(a))
5	Mr	Raymond	Dib	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
6	Mr	Robert	Furolo	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district (s26(3)(d))
7	Dr	Mary	Haines	expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
8	Ms	Kerry-Anne	Hartman	Health Services Act s26(3)(e) have other backgrounds, skills, expertise, knowledge or experience appropriate for the district.
9	Dr	Paul	Hosie	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
10	Mr	John	McGee	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
11	Mrs	Ronwyn	North	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
12	Dr	John	Sammut	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))

Southern NSW Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Ms	Leanne	Barnes	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
2	Mr	Terrance	Clout	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
3	Dr	Kenneth	Crofts	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
4	Mrs	Madeline	Davis	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s.26(3)(a))
5	Ms	Jennifer	Gordon	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal health.(s26(4))
6	Mrs	Elizabeth	Hoskins	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a)) and appointed as Chairperson of the board s26(7)
7	Dr	Megan	Keane	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
8	Mr	Geoffrey	Kettle	Knowledge and understanding of local community (s26(3)(d))
9	Ms	Margaret	Lyons	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
10	Dr	Duncan	MacKinnon	Primary Health expertise - Other backgrounds, skills, expertise, knowledge or experience appropriate for the district (s26(3)(e)) and representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
11	Dr	Vennassa	Wong	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal health (s26(4)) Expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))

South Western Sydney Local Health District

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Associate Professor	Satyadeepak	Bhonagiri	Expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b)) and representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
2	Mr	Massimo (Max)	Bosotti	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
3	Professor	Hugh	Dickson	Provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b)). Representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(3)(c))
4	Mr	Sam	Haddad	Expertise and experience in health Management, Business Management and Financial Management s26(3)(a) and under section 26(7) of the Health Services Act 1997, one of the members is, by the relevant instrument of the appointment or by a further instrument signed by the Minister, to be appointed as the chairperson of the board
5	Ms	Teresa	Harm	Knowledge and understanding of the community s26(3)(d)
6	Ms	Annette	Houston	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health (s26(4))
7	Ms	Kerrie	Murphy	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
8	Mr	John	Roach	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
9	Associate Professor	Vincent	Roche	Expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services (s26(3)(b))
10	Ms	Biljana	Sankovic	Knowledge and understanding of the community (s26(3)(d))
11	Mr	Frank	Sartor	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management (s26(3)(a))
12	Professor	Jill	White	Expertise and experience in health management, business management, and financial management s26(3)(a) of the Health Services Act 1997

Western NSW Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Mrs	Fiona	Bennett	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management, Health Services Act, 1997 s26(3)(a)
2	Mr	Jason	Cooke	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
3	Ms	Annette	Crothers	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(a))
4	Mrs	Sally	Davis	Knowledge and understanding of local community, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(d))
5	Mrs	Penny	Gibbs	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal Health, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(4)) and Expertise in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a)
6	Mr	Matthew	Irvine	expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management s26(3)(a) and Chair s26(7) of the Health Services Act 1997
7	Ms	Louise	Johnson	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district. Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(d))
8	Dr	Colin	McClintock	Provision of clinical and other health services, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(b))
9	Mrs	Amanda	O'Brien	Provision of clinical and other health services, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(b)) and Other backgrounds, skills, expertise, knowledge or experience appropriate for the district (s26(3)(e))

Western Sydney Local Health District Board

Number	Title	First Name	Surname	Appointment Criteria
1	Mr	Richard	Alcock	s26(3)(a) Expertise and Experience in health management, business management and financial management and s26(7) as the chairperson of the board.
2	Professor	Clara	Chow	expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(b)) and representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres (s26(e)(c))
3	Ms	Susan	Coleman	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(a))
4	Ms	Loretta	Di Mento	expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(a))
5	Associate Professor	John	Gilroy	Expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal health, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(4)). Representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(c))
6	Dr	Keith	Hartman	expertise and experience in the provision of clinical and other health services, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(b))
7	Dr	Walid	Jammal	other backgrounds, skills, expertise, knowledge or experience appropriate for the district, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(e)). Representative of universities, clinical schools or research centres, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(c))
8	Dr	Karin	Lines	expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management, section 26(3)(a)
9	Mrs	Melissa	Monteiro	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district s26(3)(d)
10	Professer	Donald	Nutbeam	Provision of clinical and other health services, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(b))
11	Adjunct Professor	Michael	Reid	Expertise in health management, business management and financial management, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(a))
12	Dr	Chandrika	Subramaniyan	Knowledge and understanding of the community served by the district, Health Services Act, 1997 (s26(3)(d))
13	Mr	Stewart	Thompson	Expertise and experience in health management, business management and financial management Section 26(3)(a) of the Health Services Act 1997