

Board communique

February 2017

[The HCA Board](#) is focussed on providing good governance and support to staff, members and the wider community as we implement our [new strategic directions](#).

We have had financial management refresher training with the staff and an update on our roles and responsibilities as directors from a lawyer experienced – and actively volunteering – in community sector governance.

We are continuing our program of organisational policy review, which includes an update of our membership policy. Members can expect to hear about this in the coming months. And as we lead up to the state election, we will be updating our policy consultation processes to ensure we effectively engage members, partners and the community in our policy and advocacy to position consumers at the centre of health in South Australia.

Topics for discussion at our recent Board meeting included our recent quarterly meeting with the Minister which informed Board discussions on topics that included consumer representation and clinical governance; Transforming Health; the new Royal Adelaide Hospital and the need to prioritise consumer safety in determining the opening date; the new Dental Hospital; research and clinical trials; and the wide range of consultations and submissions which you can read about [on our website](#).

The Board Executive meets in March and the next full Board meeting is in May.