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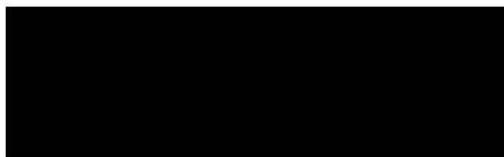
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Dear Ms Dwyer

Private Healthcare Australia (PHA) – application for authorisation AA1000487 – Fortnightly report to ACCC No 2

1. We refer to our letter dated 15 June 2020 in which we provided the first fortnightly report pursuant to condition 2 of the conditional interim authorisation granted to PHA by the Commission.
2. The purpose of this letter is to provide the second fortnightly report which relates to the period from 15 June 2020 to 26 June 2020 and is set out in the **Annexure** to this letter and the **Attachments** to the Annexure.
3. The Annexure to this letter and the Attachments to the Annexure contain information that is confidential to PHA. This confidential information has been highlighted in the Annexure to this letter and in the Attachments to the Annexure in red highlighting. PHA requests that the ACCC treat the highlighted information as strictly confidential and that it be redacted from this document prior to publication on the ACCC's public register.

Please let us know if the ACCC has any questions.



Yours faithfully
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Contact: Noelia Boscana



Annexure 1 – Fortnightly Report to the ACCC No.2

1. Report

- 1.1 This Fortnightly Report sets out the details of the following two meetings that occurred during the period from 15 June 2020 to 26 June 2020:
- (a) Fortnightly CEO briefing on COVID-19; and
 - (b) COVID-19 Working Group meeting.
- 1.2 The relevant details of these meetings set out below are the date of the meeting, attendees, agenda items that relate to the Proposed Conduct and a summary of the topics discussed that relate to the Proposed Conduct. The minutes of each meeting are set out as Attachments to this report.

2. Fortnightly CEO briefing on COVID-19 with Dr Rachel David, PHA

2.1 *Date:* 1pm, 15 June 2020

2.2 *Attendees:*

- (a) Rachel David Chief Executive Officer, PHA
- (b) John Hill Chair, PHA
- (c) Gerard Fogarty Defence Health Limited
- (d) John Van Der Wielen HBF Health Limited
- (e) Sharon Waterhouse Phoenix Health Fund Limited
- (f) Mark Fitzgibbon nib Health Funds Ltd
- (g) Sheena Jack The Hospitals Contribution Fund of Australia Ltd
- (h) Simone Tregeagle Railway & Transport Health Fund Ltd
- (i) Matt Walsh Australian Unity Health Limited
- (j) Craig Palmer AIA Health Insurance (MO Health Pty Ltd)
- (k) Dario Molina CBHS Corporate Health Pty Ltd
- (l) Byron Gregory Health Partners Limited
- (m) Brad Joyce Teachers Health Fund
- (n) Andrew Wilson Medibank Private Limited
- (o) Andrew Smith CBHS Health Fund Limited
- (p) Paul Lupo St. Lukes Health
- (q) Ian Whitehead Latrobe Health Services Limited
- (r) Gerard Op De Coul Mildura Health Fund
- (s) Rohan Mead Australian Unity Health Limited
- (t) Camilla Milazzo PHA
- (u) Lisa Minchin PHA
- (v) Jen Eddy PHA

- (w) Ben Harris PHA
- (x) Justin James HIF Pty Ltd

2.3 *Agenda items:*

- (a) Government update

2.4 *Summary:*

[REDACTED]

2.5 *Minutes:* the minutes of this meeting are in Attachment 1.

3. COVID-19 Working Group meeting

3.1 *Date:* 18 June 2020

3.2 *Attendees:*

- (a) Ed Close nib Health Funds Ltd
- (b) Rachel David PHA
- (c) Lisa Minchin PHA
- (d) Ben Harris PHA
- (e) Jen Eddy PHA
- (f) Amanda Lean BUPA HI Pty Ltd
- (g) Jonathan Spiers Medibank Private Limited
- (h) Kathleen Weaver The Hospitals Contribution Fund of Australia Ltd
- (i) Alice Caldwell Teachers Health Fund
- (j) Sandra Jones Teachers Health Fund
- (k) Christine Smyth Defence Health Limited

3.3 *Agenda items:*

- (a) Resumption of elective surgery and allied health
- (b) Upcoming premium increases
- (c) Health inflation and job losses
- (d) Public hospital wait times
- (e) Government agreements with private hospitals

3.4 *Summary:* Topics raised at the meeting included:

- (a) the importance of social distancing in relation to resumption of elective surgery and increase in patient appointments for allied health treatment;

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(e) Government announced securing agreement with private hospitals.

3.5 *Minutes*: the minutes of this meeting are in Attachment 2.

4. Next Fortnightly Report

PHA will submit the next fortnightly report pursuant to the conditional interim authorisation on Monday, 13 July 2020.

Attachment 1 – Minutes of Fortnightly CEO briefing on COVID-19 with Dr Rachel David, PHA

Fortnightly CEO briefing on COVID19 with Dr Rachel David, Private Healthcare Australia Ltd (PHA)

1pm, 15/06/2020

Via teleconference

Invitees

Rachel David	CEO, PHA
John Hill	Chair, PHA
Gerard Fogarty	Defence health Limited
John Van Der Wielen	HBF Health Limited
Sharon Waterhouse	Phoenix Health Fund Limited
Mark Fitzgibbon	nib Health Funds Ltd
Sheena Jack	The Hospitals Contribution Fund of Australia Ltd
Simone Tregeagle	Railway & Transport Health Fund Ltd
Matt Walsh	Australian Unity Health Limited
Craig Palmer	AIA Health Insurance (MO Health Pty Ltd)
Dario Molina	CBHS Corporate Health Pty Ltd
Byron Gregory	Health Partners Limited
Brad Joyce	Teachers Health Fund
Andrew Wilson	Medibank Private Limited
Andrew Smith	CBHS Health Fund Limited
Paul Lupo	St.Lukes Health
Ian Whitehead	Latrobe Health Services Limited
Gerard Op De Coul	Mildura Health Fund
Rohan Mead	Australian Unity Health Limited
Camilla Milazzo	PHA
Lisa Minchin	PHA
Jen Eddy	PHA
Ben Harris	PHA
Justin James	HIF Pty Ltd

Open

The Chair, Mr Hill opened the meeting at 1pm.

Mr Hill noted the apology received from Emily Amos from BUPA HI Pty Ltd, Tim Tez from AIA Health Insurance and Rob Seljak from Teachers Health Fund.



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The meeting closed at 1:28pm.

Attachment 2 – Minutes of COVID-19 Working Group meeting



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Working Group 18 June 2020 MINUTES

Attendees

Ed Close	nib Health Funds Ltd
Rachel David	PHA
Lisa Minchin	PHA
Ben Harris	PHA
Jen Eddy	PHA
Rachel David	PHA
Amanda Lean	BUPA HI Pty Ltd
Jonathan Spiers	Medibank Private Limited
Kathleen Weaver	The Hospitals Contribution Fund of Australia Ltd
Alice Caldwell	Teachers Health Fund
Sandra Jones	Teachers Health Fund
Christine Smyth	Defence Health Limited

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Topics raised:

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- The importance of social distancing in relation to the resumption of elective surgery.
- Allied health treatment areas have been proactive with the resumption of patient appointments.
- Profits are decreasing due to the pandemic.

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