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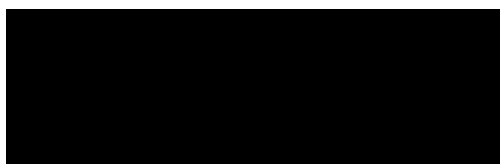
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Dear Ms Bendelstein

Private Healthcare Australia (PHA) – application for authorisation AA1000487 – Fortnightly report to ACCC No 12

1. We refer to our letter dated 2 November 2020 in which we provided fortnightly report no. 11 pursuant to condition 2 of the conditional authorisation granted to PHA by the Commission.
2. The purpose of this letter is to provide fortnightly report no. 12 which relates to the period from 2 November 2020 to 13 November 2020 and is set out in the **Annexure** to this letter and the **Attachment** to the Annexure.
3. The Annexure to this letter and the Attachment 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 Attachment to the Annexure in yellow 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. 11

1. Report

1.1 This Fortnightly Report sets out the details of the following meeting that occurred during the period from 2 November 2020 to 30 13 November 2020:

(a) Fortnightly CEO briefing on COVID-19.

1.2 The relevant details of this meeting 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 the meeting are set out as an Attachment to this report.

2. Fortnightly CEO briefing on COVID-19

2.1 *Date:* 1:00pm, 2 November 2020

2.2 *Attendees:*

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|-----|-------------------|--|
| (a) | Rachel David | Chief Executive Officer, PHA |
| (b) | John Hill | Chair, PHA |
| (c) | Sharon Waterhouse | Phoenix Health Fund Limited |
| (d) | Barbara Cruz | Railway & Transport Health Fund |
| (e) | David Brajkovic | Australian Unity Health Limited |
| (f) | Dario Molina | CBHS Corporate Health |
| (g) | Byron Gregory | Health Partners Limited |
| (h) | Brad Joyce | Teachers Health Fund |
| (i) | Andrew Smith | CBHS Health Fund Limited |
| (j) | Paul Lupo | St. Lukes Health |
| (k) | Ian Whitehead | Latrobe Health Services Limited |
| (l) | Gerard Op De Coul | Mildura Health Fund |
| (m) | Rohan Mead | Australian Unity Health Limited |
| (n) | Camilla Milazzo | PHA |
| (o) | Jen Eddy | PHA |
| (p) | Ben Harris | PHA |
| (q) | Justin James | HIF Pty Ltd |
| (r) | Rob Seljak | Queensland Teachers' Union Health Fund Limited |
| (s) | Adam Stock | HBF Health Limited |
| (t) | Simone Tregear | Railway & Transport Health Fund |
| (u) | Gerard Fogarty | Defence Health Limited |
| (v) | Andrew Wilson | Medibank Private Limited |
| (w) | Amanda Lean | BUPA GI Pty Ltd |
| (x) | Donna Carrington | HBF |

(y) Greg Morris AIA Health Insurance (MO Health Pty Ltd)

2.3 *Agenda items:*

- (a) General Update
- (b) Reduction in funding for Private Healthcare
- (c) Update by Jennifer Eddy
- (d) Questions

2.4 *Summary:*

- (a) [REDACTED]
- (b) Dr David provided updates in relation to the Independent Hospital Pricing Authority and the Community of Interest group engagement regarding hospital contracting and claims.
- (c) Dr David noted the relaxation in legislation relating to the types of providers that can be funded and [REDACTED]
- (d) [REDACTED]
- (e) [REDACTED]
- (f) [REDACTED]

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

3. Next Fortnightly Report

PHA will submit the next fortnightly report pursuant to the conditional authorisation on Monday, 30 November 2020.

Attachment 1 – Fortnightly CEO briefing on COVID-19

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

1pm, 2/11/2020

Via teleconference

Invitees

Rachel David	CEO, PHA
John Hill	Chair, PHA
Sharon Waterhouse	Phoenix Health Fund Limited
Barbara Cruz	Railway & Transport Health Fund
David Brajkovic	Australian Unity Health Limited
Dario Molina	CBHS Corporate Health Pty Ltd
Byron Gregory	Health Partners Limited
Brad Joyce	Teachers Health Fund
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
Jen Eddy	PHA
Ben Harris	PHA
Justin James	HIF Pty Ltd
Rob Seljak	Queensland Teachers' Union Health Fund Limited
Adam Stock	HBF Health
Simone Tregaele	Railway & Transport Health Fund
Gerard Fogarty	Defence health Limited
Andrew Wilson	Medibank Private Limited
Amanda Lean	BUPA GI Pty Ltd
Donna Carrington	HBF Health Limited
Greg Morris	AIA Health Insurance (MO Health Pty Ltd)

Open

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

Mr Hill noted the following apologies:

- Emily Amos from BUPA GI Pty Ltd;
- Mark Fitzgibbon from nib Health Funds Ltd;
- Sheena Jack, The Hospitals Contribution Fund of Australia Ltd;
- Mark Valena, GHMBA Limited;
- John Van Der Wielen, HBF Health Limited; and
- Tim Tez, AIA Health Insurance (MO Health Pty Ltd).

General Update

Dr David noted the easing of restrictions in Melbourne.



[REDACTED]

A brief update was given regarding the Independent Hospital Pricing Authority.

A brief update was also provided regarding the Community of Interest group engagement regarding hospital contracting and claims.

Dr David discussed the relaxation in legislation regarding the types of providers that can be funded.

[REDACTED]

Reduction in funding for Private Healthcare Australia

[REDACTED]

Jennifer Eddy

Ms Eddy advised that the media front had been quiet due to the US election and Melbourne Cup.

[REDACTED]

The group was also informed that the recent article from Mr Ben Harris would be circulated.

Questions

[REDACTED]

The meeting closed at 1:15pm.