

ACT Health ACT Clinical System Governance Committee (CSGC) DRAFT Terms of reference

Purpose	The purpose of the ACT CSGC is to provide governance, insights, recommendations and advice from a clinical perspective to the ACT health system and to ensure safe, effective, person-centred health care is consistently delivered across the whole of the ACT healthcare system.
	The CSGC will be the ACT health system's peak clinical committee to provide independent guidance, expert advice, recommendations and insights to services
	that provide clinical health care across the ACT, the ACT Health Directorate and Ministers for Health, Mental Health, Justice Health, and Emergency Services
	Agency Commissioner.
Role	Clinical Governance is the integrated systems, processes, leadership and culture that is the foundation of which we will build upon to see the improvement of safety and quality of public health care, reduce harm, improve patient experience and ensure the care that the community receives is evidence based and reliable.
	The role of the CSGC is to strengthen clinical system governance and monitor trends in clinical outcomes in relation to strategic direction, service development and collaboration across the ACT public health system; and to provide advice on options for system performance improvement.
Values an Behaviours	This committee will provide expert clinical leadership to the ACT health system. The advice provided by this committee is to be seen to be the most influential clinical advice within the ACT health system. It is important that the significance of this responsibility and accountability is reflected in the advice provided.
	Participation and engagement in the CSGC will reflect public sector values and the commitment to collaborate within strong governance frameworks.
	Members will act in the best interests of consumers and the wider ACT region.
	Members will demonstrate the values and behaviours of the ACT Health Directorate:
	Respect
	 Members will engage in genuine and respectful dialogue with colleagues across the ACT Public Service, the Health System, and the community.
	Integrity
	 Members should consider their view and responses from a system – wide perspective while aiming towards being solutions-focused in addressing systems issues.
	Ensure accountable, evidenced-based and transparent decision-making.
	Collaboration
	 Members will promote open sharing of information to improve the delivery of services, to enable good governance, quality and accurate reporting, and the development of evidence-based policies and programs.
	Innovation
	Members will be committed to innovative improvement of systems and

	services to achieve safe and effective person and family-centred care.
Functions	The ACT CSGC functions to facilitate the domains of Clinical System Governance, which include the key principles that support the clinical governance framework. These include: Leadership, engagement and coordination on issues of system wide clinical governance Leadership and oversight of system wide clinical networks Promotion of a positive culture of knowledge and information sharing Demonstrate partnership working with the whole system including consumers and carers. Reviewing trend data and shared knowledge from across the system to identify unwarranted variation in care and great practice. Provide insights to Government or the system as to actions to be taken to reduce safety risks and improve quality of care. To contribute to health care reform thinking such as the development of ACT model for Value Based Healthcare, Patient Reported Outcome Measures, Patient Reported Experience Measures and in response to requests from the ACT Health System Partnership or ACTHD. Convene all stakeholders through bi-annual Health Forums Communicate with the system about activities of the Committee. The development of a forward agenda and work plan to maximise
Panarting	efficiency and effectiveness that promotes best practice governance.
Reporting Agenda requests	The CSGC will report to the ACT Health Director General. The Secretariat is to receive requests for agenda items two weeks before the
Meeting Frequency	meeting unless otherwise advised. Papers are to be distributed one week before the meeting. To be determined Monthly for the first 3 months
	 Meeting frequency will be reviewed after 3 months and annually thereafter by the committee with the view to considering optimal meeting frequency moving forward.
Secretariat	A representative from the Office of Chief Medical Officer provides secretariat support by: o supporting the committee by developing the agenda, preparing and distributing meeting packs, and recording and preparing minutes of CSGC meetings. o update, manage or log any potential conflicts of interest. o ensure decisions or recommendations are accurately documented. o prepare briefing papers or reports on behalf of the committee.
Out-of-sessions resolutions	When an issue arises that, in the opinion of the Chair, requires resolution before the next scheduled meeting, the Chair may seek an out-of-session resolution.
Quorum	The quorum at meetings is attendance by 75% of members. In the event of a quorum is not achieved, a decision to continue with the meeting will be made by the Chair. The meeting may proceed with resolutions held over until a quorum is achieved. Alternates, excluding persons formally acting in positions that attract Committee membership, are to be considered and approved by the Chair prior to a meeting. The Chair will be informed of the substitution at least two working days prior to the scheduled nominated meeting. In the case of unexpected absences,

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