

2016-17 Annual Report – Government Bodies

The following government bodies were active during 2016-17 with reporting arrangements to the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services.

Child Death Case Review Panel					
Act or instrument	Chapter 7A, <i>Child Protection Act 1999</i>				
Functions	<p>The Child Death Case Review Panel (the CDCRP) is responsible for independently reviewing reports and recommendations prepared by the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services (the department) following the death or serious injury of a child known to the department in the 12 months preceding the child's death or serious injury.</p> <p>The purpose of the CDCRP is to make findings to facilitate ongoing learning and development in the provision of services to children and their families by the department.</p> <p>The CDCRP is comprised of public service officers of the department and other government agencies, and non-public service officers with expertise in the fields of paediatrics and child health, forensic pathology, mental health, investigation or child protection, or qualifications, experience or membership of an entity likely to make a valuable contribution to the work of the Panel.</p>				
Achievements	<p>In 2016-17:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CDCRP met 14 times to independently review reports and recommendations for 50 children and young people who died, and six children who suffered a serious injury The CDCRP produced 14 reports relating to the cases reviewed and delivered 136 findings to the Director-General of the department in relation to ongoing learning and systemic improvement of service delivery. <p>Along with examples of high quality service delivery by the department, the CDCRP identified key or recurring themes and a range of areas for improvement, including cross-agency communication and coordination, collaborative decision-making for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, and the use of inter-disciplinary teams with understanding of significant issues affecting families, such as domestic and family violence, mental health and substance misuse.</p> <p>At a practice level, the department has responded to and acted on the findings of the CDCRP throughout the year. This includes informing and adjusting implementation of the <i>Strengthening Families Protecting Children Framework for Practice</i>. In particular, the findings have been used to improve training and development at both foundation and advanced levels for Child Safety staff, to strengthen practice and supervision, and in reviews of policies and procedures. Findings and responses have also been considered through departmental reform and performance mechanisms.</p>				
Financial reporting	Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the department's financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Clare Tilbury	4	\$325 hourly	N/A	\$13,575
Chair	Annette Sheffield	2		N/A	\$8,450
Chair	Margaret Kruger	2		N/A	\$7,150
Chair	Clinton Schultz	2		N/A	\$7,150
Chair	Bryan Cook	2		N/A	\$4,150
Chair	Laurel Downey	2		N/A	\$3,950
Chair	Nicola Murdock	3		N/A	\$4,875
Chair	Shanna Quinn	1		N/A	\$3,250
Member	Kirstin Vallmuur	4	\$250 hourly	N/A	\$6,250
Member	Anne Pattel-Grey	3		N/A	\$6,250
Member	Annette Sheffield	2		N/A	\$2,750
Member	Deborah Walsh	1		N/A	\$2,500
Member	Raelene Ward	8		N/A	\$13,750
Member	Margaret Kruger	2		N/A	\$2,750
Member	Rosa Alati	3		N/A	\$4,250
Member	Clinton Schultz	1		N/A	\$4,000
Member	Nina Westera	1		N/A	\$4,000
Member	Kairi Kolves	2		N/A	\$4,250
Member	Gwenn Murray	1		N/A	\$250
Member	Rebecca Sherman	1		N/A	\$2,500
Member	Susan Teerds	2		N/A	\$2,750
Member	Paul Colditz	4		N/A	\$6,750
Member	Betty Taylor	1		N/A	\$1,750
Member	Annabel Taylor	2		N/A	\$2,125
Member	Nicola Murdock	1		N/A	\$1,750
Member	Shanna Quinn	3		N/A	\$2,250
Member	Jeanine Young	2	N/A	\$2,000	
Member	Mark Coulthard*		*Unpaid members	N/A	N/A

Member	Donna Lockyer*			N/A	N/A
Member	Christopher Hansel*			N/A	N/A
Member	Karen Nankervis*			N/A	N/A
Member	Graham Kraak*			N/A	N/A
Member	Jean Smith*			N/A	N/A
Member	Julie Kinross*			N/A	N/A
Member	Bernadette Harvey*			N/A	N/A
Member	George Marchesini*			N/A	N/A
Member	Kathy Masters*			N/A	N/A
Member	John Allan*			N/A	N/A
Member	Barbara Shaw*			N/A	N/A
Member	James Scott*			N/A	N/A
Member	Natalie Parker*			N/A	N/A
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	In 2016-17, the CDCRP met 14 times.				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$0				

Multicultural Queensland Advisory Council					
Act or instrument	<i>Multicultural Recognition Act 2016</i>				
Functions	<p>The Council advises the Minister for Multicultural Affairs on opportunities and barriers facing people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and how to promote the Multicultural Queensland Charter to support a unified, harmonious and inclusive community.</p> <p>The Minister for Multicultural Affairs chairs the 11-member Council, which advises on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the needs, aspirations and contributions of people from diverse backgrounds • promoting the principles of the multicultural charter within the Queensland community • developing and implementing government policies about multiculturalism • how government-funded services and programs can be responsive to the needs of people from diverse backgrounds 				
Achievements	<p>Identified key priorities for 2017 including jobs and promoting diversity.</p> <p>Provided advice during development of the Queensland Multicultural Policy and Action Plan and the Multicultural Queensland Ambassador Program.</p> <p>Consulted with community groups in Ipswich in April 2017 to identify needs in relation to jobs and training, including how to break down barriers.</p> <p>Met with the Jobs Queensland Board around potential workforce opportunities for people from CALD backgrounds.</p>				
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Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	The Honourable Grace Grace MP, Minister for Multicultural Affairs	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Nora Amath	4	\$300 daily	N/A	\$1,050
Member	Kerrin Benson	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Elijah Buol	4	\$300 daily	N/A	\$900
Member	Jayde Geia	2	\$300 daily	N/A	\$600
Member	Gitie House	5	\$300 daily	N/A	\$1,200
Member	Ali Kadri	4	\$300 daily	N/A	\$1,050
Member	Joon-Yee Kwok	2	\$300 daily	N/A	\$450
Member	Ataus Samad	3	\$300 daily	N/A	\$600
Member	Jason Steinberg	5	\$300 daily	N/A	\$1,200
Member	Serge Voloschenko OAM	5	\$300 daily	N/A	\$1,200
Member	Tracy Watson	3	\$300 daily	N/A	\$750
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	5				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$2,806.81				

Queensland Carers Advisory Council					
Act or instrument	<i>Carers (Recognition) Act 2008</i>				
Functions	Provides advice to the Minister on improving recognition and support for carers by government agencies and the broader community in accordance with the Carers Charter in Part 1 Section 7 of the Act.				
Achievements	<p>Council members have provided advice to the Minister on a range of issues including the need for information, support and respite for carers under the National Disability Insurance Scheme.</p> <p>The Council provided carers' perspectives to inform development and implementation of the following Queensland Government initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Queensland Women's Strategy 2016-21 - Queensland Disability Service Plan 2017-2020 - Queensland Financial Inclusion Plan <p>The Council held a workshop of the topic of 'The declining propensity to care' in which members provided advice to address this issue.</p>				
Financial reporting	The entity's transactions are accounted for in the department's financial statements.				
Remuneration					
The Chair is the Executive Director, Stakeholder Engagement and Communication, DCCSDS. As a public servant, the Chair is ineligible for remuneration. Eligible members (carers and unpaid representatives of carer organisations) are remunerated at level 3 of the Regulation, Administration and Advice category of the Remuneration Procedures for Part-Time Chairs and Members of Queensland Government Bodies (Remuneration Procedures) with daily fees of \$300 in accordance with Cabinet Decision No. 281.					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair (public service representative)	Wayne Briscoe Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services	2	Not eligible	N/A	N/A
Member (carer)	Suzanne (Sue) Campbell	1	\$300/day (paid at half day rate to attend 2 hour meeting)	N/A	\$150
Member (carer)	Teresa Pilbeam	2	\$300/day	N/A	\$300
Member (carer)	Alfonsa (Alice) Corcoran	1	\$300/day	N/A	\$150
Member (carer)	Leigh-ann (Leigh) Elliott	1	\$300/day	N/A	\$150
Member (unpaid representative of a carer organisation)	Maree Lubach	1	\$300/day	N/A	\$150
Member (representative of a carer organisation)	Debra Cottrell	1 (and proxy, Adam Campbell, attended the other meeting)	Not eligible	N/A	N/A
Member (representative of a carer organisation)	Alison Zappala (formerly Little)	2	Not eligible	N/A	N/A
Member (representative of a carer organisation)	Marj Bloor	2	Not eligible	N/A	N/A
Member (public service representative)	Jean Smith, Department of Education and Training	Proxies from DET attended both meetings (Susan Wilson, Beth McInally)	Not eligible	N/A	N/A
Member (public service representative)	Graham Kraak, Department of Health	2	Not eligible	N/A	N/A
Member (public service representative)	Julia Duffy Department of Justice and Attorney-General	1 (resigned from Deputy Public Guardian position in February 2017)	Not eligible	N/A	N/A
Member (public service representative)	Shayna Smith Department of Justice and Attorney-General	1 (Acting Deputy Public Guardian)	Not eligible	N/A	N/A

No. scheduled meetings/sessions	2
Total out of pocket expenses	\$372.94

Queensland NDIS Transition Advisory Group (QTAG)					
Act or instrument	<i>Disability Services Act 2006 (Qld)</i> , sections 222 and 223				
Functions	QTAG members provide advice to the Minister for Disability Services and the Queensland Government regarding Queensland's transition to the National Disability Insurance Advisory Scheme. Members represent the views of people with disability, families, carers and service providers and provide feedback and comment on identified challenges and questions relating to the transition. QTAG is not a decision making body.				
Achievements	Members have provided valuable advice on issues such as workforce, participant and provider readiness, rural and remote and indigenous strategies, mental health under the NDIS, transport, and provision of supports in educational settings. Representation and feedback from QTAG members has resulted in raising and resolution of issues, both across government and with the National Disability Insurance Agency.				
Financial reporting	Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	The Honourable Coralee O'Rourke, Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Seniors and Minister Assisting the Premier on North Queensland	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Sharon Boyce	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Brett Casey	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Karni Liddell	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Paige Armstrong	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Debra Cottrell	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Margaret Rodgers	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Maureen Fordyce	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Kris Trott	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Richard Nelson	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Angela Tillmanns	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Rhys Kennedy	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Peter Selwood	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Alan Smith	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Linda Apelt	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Jodi Wolthers	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Jennifer Cullen	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Belinda Drew	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	5				
Total out of pocket expenses	N/A				

Queensland Disability Advisory Council and regional disability advisory councils.					
Act or instrument	<i>Disability Services Act 2006</i> (sections 222 and 223)				
Functions	<p>The Queensland Disability Advisory Council and seven regional disability advisory councils provide the Minister with independent and timely advice about important disability matters that have a regional, statewide or national impact.</p> <p>On 10 October 2016, 74 members were appointed to the councils for a three-year term to coincide with Queensland's transition to the NDIS.</p> <p>In 2016–17 council members had a specific focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preparing Queenslanders for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) • promoting a socially inclusive Queensland and advising on the development of the new Queensland disability plan. <p>All council members are representative of their communities and include people with disability, family members, carers, advocates and academics, as well as members from community organisations, businesses, local government and disability service providers.</p> <p>The 11-member Queensland Disability Advisory Council comprises the chairs of the seven regional councils and four additional members with specialist expertise or knowledge. The seven regional councils support the Queensland council. Each regional council has between seven and 10 members. At 30 June 2017, there were 72 council members.</p>				
Achievements	<p>During 2016–17, the councils met quarterly. Queenslanders with disability benefited from the councils' feedback on how we can best prepare people and communities for the NDIS.</p> <p>Members played a significant role in providing advice to government about the NDIS transition, including transport issues and access to the taxi subsidy scheme, improving the NDIS planning approaches and timeliness of plans commencing. They worked with their networks and communities to provide and clarify information about the NDIS, and to share information, learnings and positive stories from the NDIS launch sites.</p> <p>In 2016–17, members actively engaged in a number of consultations to identify ideas and priorities in developing Queensland's new disability plan. Seven members from across the councils also attended a one-day workshop with all Queensland Government departments in June 2017 to provide advice, suggestions and practical ideas for those departments to consider as they developed their next disability service plans.</p> <p>Council members also act as a consultative forum when the government or Minister requests stakeholder views. Members provided input on a broad range of issues, including transport, health, tourism, education, workforce initiatives and disability education for health professionals.</p>				
Financial reporting	The entity's transactions of the entity are accounted for in the department's financial statements.				
Queensland Disability Advisory Council					
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Sharon Boyce	3*	\$17,160 pa plus \$520 daily	260	14,766
Deputy Chair	Anita Veivers	3*	\$400 daily	200	3060
Member	Bernard McNair	1	\$400 daily	N/A	1000
Member	Paul Larcombe	2	\$400 daily	N/A	1200
Member	Harry McConnell	2	\$400 daily	N/A	0
Member	Ken Parker	3	\$400 daily	N/A	2400
Member	Barry Skinner	3	\$400 daily	N/A	2000
Member	Peter Gurr	2	\$400 daily	N/A	0
Member	Pam Spelling	3* **	\$400 daily	800	3200
Member	Laurence Bray	3*	\$400 daily	400	2800
Member	Semah Mokak-Wischki	3* **	\$400 daily	1000	3400
Member	Gillian Costabeber	2	\$400 daily	N/A	1600
Member	Simon Wright	1	\$400 daily	N/A	800
Member	Robert Hannaford	1	\$400 daily	N/A	1000
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	3				

Total out of pocket expenses	\$16,659.76				
Brisbane Regional Disability Advisory Council					
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Paul Larcombe	3	\$390 daily	N/A	1170
Member	Simon Wright	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Helene Frayne	3***	\$300 daily	150	1050
Member	Maria Hoogstrate	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Michael DeLacey	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Kathleen Ellem	3*	\$300 daily	300	1200
Member	John Mayo	3**	\$300 daily	300	1200
Member	Wendy Lovelace	2	\$300 daily	N/A	600
Member	Pamela Burgess	1***	\$300 daily	150	450
Member	Elizabeth Jeffrey	X	\$300 daily	N/A	0
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	3				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$85.50				
Central Queensland Regional Disability Advisory Council					
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Ken Parker	2	\$390 daily	N/A	780
Member	Raelene Ensby	2 (+2 significant travel fee)	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Tracey Alexander	2 (+2 significant travel fee)	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Desmond Quinn	2 (+1 significant travel fee)**	\$300 daily	300	1050
Member	Shari Guinea	2 (+2 significant travel fee)*	\$300 daily	300	1350
Member	John Weir	2	\$300 daily	N/A	600
Member	Edward Thorburn	2	\$300 daily	N/A	600
Member	Michael Mahon	1 (+1 significant travel fee)* ***	\$300 daily	150	1050
Member	Helen Jervis	2*	\$300 daily	300	1050
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	2				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$5,900.61				
Far North Queensland Regional Disability Advisory Council					
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Anita Veivers	3 (+1 significant travel fee)	\$390 daily	NA	1365
Member	Arnold Budd	2	\$300 daily	NA	600
Member	Benjamin Keast	3 (+1 significant travel fee)	\$300 daily	NA	1050

Member	Felicia Bowen	2	\$300 daily	NA	750
Member	James Gegg	3* **	\$300 daily	750	1650
Member	Peter Lenoy	3	\$300 daily	NA	0
Member	Rosemary Iloste	2	\$300 daily	150	750
Member	Sandra Kelly	2	\$300 daily	NA	600
Member	Sharon Carter	3 (+3 significant travel fee)	\$300 daily	NA	450
Member	Sue Tomasich	2	\$300 daily	NA	600
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	3				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$3,978.88				

North Coast Regional Disability Advisory Council

Remuneration

Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Barry Skinner	3	\$390 daily	N/A	1170
Member	Jennifer Buchanan	1	\$300 daily	N/A	300
Member	Kerrie Green	2 (+2 significant travel fee)** ***	\$300 daily	450	1350
Member	Kay Maclean	2.5	\$300 daily	N/A	0
Member	Carol Thorne	3***	\$300 daily	150	1050
Member	Leanne Walsh	2	\$300 daily	N/A	600
Member	Cathy White	2***	\$300 daily	150	750
Member	Matthew McCracken	3 (+1 significant travel fee)* ***	\$300 daily	600	1650
Member	Sharon Bourke	1*	\$300 daily	450	750
Member	Darcy Cavanagh	1*	\$300 daily	300	600
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	3				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$2,394.99				

North Queensland Regional Disability Advisory Council

Remuneration

Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Bernard McNair	3	\$390 daily	N/A	1170
Member	Anne Hodge	1	\$300 daily	N/A	300
Member	Liza Clews	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Gillian Costabeber	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Vicky Saunders	2*	\$300 daily	450	1050
Member	Carmel Dargan	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Ann Greer	3	\$300 daily	N/A	0
Member	John Lovi	2 (+2 significant travel fee)*	\$300 daily	450	1350
Member	Debra King	0	\$300 daily	N/A	0
Member	Thomas Block	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	3				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$5,308.89				

South East Regional Disability Advisory Council

Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Harry McConnell	2	\$390 daily	N/A	0
Member	Phia Damsma	3 (2.5 days)	\$300 daily	N/A	750
Member	Helen Steinhardt	1	\$300 daily	N/A	0
Member	Savannah Hunt	2 (1.5 days)	\$300 daily	N/A	450
Member	Josephine McMahon	2*	\$300 daily	300	900
Member	Peter Rhodes	2	\$300 daily	N/A	0
Member	Christine Saunders	2***	\$300 daily	150	750
Member	Robert Hannaford	2	\$300 daily/\$390 as acting chair	N/A	540
Member	Daniel Bedwell	1	\$300 daily	N/A	0
Member	Eva Hallam	0	\$300 daily	N/A	0
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	3				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$543.75				
South West Regional Disability Advisory Council					
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Sharon Boyce	3***	\$390 daily	195	1365
Member	Kerrie Grice	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Michael Deutscher	2	\$300 daily	N/A	600
Member	Laura Scurr	3* ***	\$300 daily	450	1350
Member	Peter Tully	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
Member	Lyndel Bunter	3*	\$300 daily	300	1200
Member	Paul Devine	3*	\$300 daily	300	1200
Member	Therese Crisp	2*	\$300 daily	450	1050
Member	Paul Wilson	3***	\$300 daily	150	1050
Member	Sonja Gilchrist	3	\$300 daily	N/A	900
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	3				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$2,531.04				

Notes:

* new members at induction meeting on 28 November 2016 – meeting fees included as sub-committee fees and allowances included in out of pocket expenses [Spelling, Bray and Mokak-Wischki (QDAC), Gegg (FNQ), Saunders (NQ), Guinea, Lovi, Jervis and Mahon (CQ), Bourke, Cavanagh and McCracken (NC), Ellem (Bne), Bunter, Crisp, Devine and Scurr (SW) and McMahon (SE)]

** 14 June 2017 workshop – meeting fees included as sub-committee fees and allowances included in out of pocket expenses [Spelling (QDAC), Mokak-Wischki (QDAC), Gegg (FNQ), Quinn (CQ), Green (NC), Mayo (Bne), and Scurr (SW)]

*** All Abilities Queensland Targeted Consultations between 21–28 April 2017. Members were paid half day meeting fees.