

HEALTH SERVICES ACT 1997

CLINICAL EXCELLENCE COMMISSION

DETERMINATION OF FUNCTIONS OF STATUTORY HEALTH CORPORATION

Pursuant to section 53 of the Health Services Act 1997, I, Jillian Skinner, Minister for Health, do hereby determine, in addition to those functions set out in section 12 of the Health Services Act, the following functions for the Clinical Excellence Commission:

- (a) To provide system wide clinical governance leadership with local health districts and specialty networks, including supporting the implementation and ongoing development of local quality systems;
- (b) To develop policy and strategy related to improvements of clinical quality and safety across the NSW public health system and promote and support improvement in clinical quality and safety in public and private health services
- (c) To identify, develop and disseminate information about clinical quality and safety in health care on a state wide basis, including (but not limited to):
 - (i) working with the Health Education and Training Institute to develop, provide and promote training and education programs;
 - (ii) identifying priorities for and promoting the conduct of research about clinical quality and safety in health care;
- (d) To review adverse clinical incidents arising in the NSW public health system and develop responses to those incidents including (but not limited to)
 - (i) co-ordinating responses to specific incidents with system or statewide implications; and
 - (ii) providing advice to the Director General on urgent or emergent patient safety issues and staff safety issues in a clinical setting;
- (e) To monitor clinical quality and safety processes and performance of public health organisations and to report to the Director General and Minister thereon;
- (f) To provide the Bureau of Health Information with relevant data on clinical quality and safety performance of the public health system to support the Bureau's public reporting function;
- (g) To consult broadly with public health organisations, health professionals and members of the community in performing its functions;
- (h) To provide advice to the Director General and Minister for Health on issues arising out of its functions;
- (i) To develop three year Strategic Plans and an Annual Work Plan, linking these activities and priorities of the Commission to the statewide directions and priorities of NSW Health and work in accordance with these plans and Service Compact agreed with the Director General.

This Determination repeals and replaces the previous determination of functions made in respect of the Commission dated 23 August 2004.

Dated at Sydney this *thirteen* day of July 2012

Jillian Skinner
Minister for Health