

Summary of structural issues for DG consideration

Hunter Review feedback

A large amount of feedback has been received, the majority of which indicates support for implementation of recommendations 3 to 8 outlined in the Hunter Review Final Report.

However a range of issues have been raised for the Director-General to consider including:

1. Whether the Health Infrastructure Branch (HIB) should be split between capital delivery/maintenance and capital planning or remain as a stand-alone Branch?
2. Should preventative health policy remain in the Public Health Division or move as recommended to the Strategy, Policy and Planning Division to sit with other strategic policy staff?
3. Should the Office of the Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer (OCNMO) report through the Clinical Excellence Division or report direct to the Director-General?
4. Should the State and Commonwealth Funding Unit (SCFU) sit with Corporate Services or Strategy, Policy and Planning Division?
5. Should planning functions associated with Mental Health and Oral Health remain as part of current Branches/Units or move to sit with other planning functions in Strategy, Policy and Planning?
6. Is it best for one data management owner ie. Health Statistics Branch to support data integrity processes for all data management owners?
7. Should Clinical Pathways and Health PACT remain in the Clinical Access and Redesign Unit (CARU) in Clinical Excellence or move to Strategy, Policy and Performance?
8. Should clinical policy sit with Innovation and Clinical Networks within the Clinical Excellence Division or move as recommended to Strategy, Policy and Planning?
9. Should the Office of the Chief Health Information Officer (OCHIO) sit within Strategy, Policy and Planning or be combined with the Health Service Information Agency (HSIA)?
10. Should knowledge management (including corporate records) sit with OCHIO or Corporate Services?
11. Is it best only Internal Audit report direct to the Director-General or should all of Audit, Risk and Governance report direct to the Director-General?
12. What should be the overall objective of the Business Improvement Unit and how can it best support implementation of the Hunter Review recommendations?