

South Western Sydney Local Health District - Our Board Communique

The SWSLHD Board regularly provides updates on its role and activities, sharing with staff its insights and progress on the strategic directions and governance of the District.

As a part of their work, the Board has formed focused Committees to provide specialist advice, support and oversight of key areas, ensuring the District's activities and operations are safe, high-quality, future focused and that resources are directed appropriately in line with our Strategic Plan.

SWSLHD's Board Committees:

- Health Care Quality & Safety
- Audit & Risk
- Finance & Assets
- Aboriginal Health
- Research, Teaching & Innovation
- Workforce, Wellbeing and Culture

This edition focuses on the Research, Teaching & Innovation Committee.
You can find out more about the Board and its committees [on our website](#).

Introducing the Research, Teaching & Innovation Committee



Professor Jill White AM,
Research, Teaching &
Innovation Committee Chair

Maintaining the District's vibrant and innovative research and teaching culture is the key focus for the Research, Teaching & Innovation Committee.

By monitoring and providing advice on the District's strategic plans, partnerships and research and teaching initiatives, the committee helps to foster a culture consisting of agile systems, evidence-based practice and strategic collaborations.

The committee also assesses risks associated with the delivery of plans, service level agreements and risk registers and provides advice on these risks to the Board.

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How the Research, Teaching & Innovation Committee supports your work



Research

South western Sydney's future healthcare is born in the research of today. Well-planned and tailored research specific to community needs underpins the outstanding care our District provides.

The Committee has supported the implementation of the Research Strategy to 2023, embedding a vibrant research culture across the District, building capacity for nursing and allied health research and embedding senior academics in clinical practice.

Building on our research excellence, the Committee has supported the development of strategic partnerships with academic and industry organisations to ensure the District has a national and global reach. This includes Academic Councils with the University of New South Wales and Western Sydney University.

The Committee monitors progress of current research initiatives and funding opportunities as well as the development of new projects, ensuring they cater to the needs of our diverse communities.



Education and Training

Building the capability of our staff is vital for the health of our communities.

The Committee reviewed and contributed to our Education & Organisational Development Plan 2023-2028, providing valuable feedback to inform our approach to foster a skilled, knowledgeable workforce on the frontline and in corporate settings.



Innovation

Providing continuous, high-quality care requires continual examination of our processes and models of care and the drive to evolve our practice.

To ensure we remain a leader in high-quality healthcare, the District is developing an Innovation Strategy to support an active innovation culture in south west Sydney. Development of the Strategy will be supported by the Committee.