



Legislative Council

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## **INQUIRY INTO THE COST REDUCTION STRATEGIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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The Legislative Council Inquiry into the cost reduction strategies of the Department of Health and Human Services will continue next week with regional public hearings in Oatlands and Burnie on **Tuesday 21 February 2012** and continuing in Launceston on **Wednesday 22 February 2012**.

Further information about the Inquiry including Terms of Reference and transcripts of hearings are available at:  
<http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/ctee/Council/GovAdminA.htm>

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**MEDIA NOTE:** Details of witnesses appearing at the hearing on Wednesday and Thursday are attached.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Ruth Forrest MLC on 0419 879 524

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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INQUIRY  
INTO  
THE COST REDUCTION STRATEGIES OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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**Public Hearings on Tuesday 21 February 2012**

**Southern Midlands Council Chambers, 71 High Street, Oatlands**

**9:30am: Dr Robert Simpon, GP**

**Burnie City Council Chambers, 80 Wilson Street, Burnie**

**2.30pm: North West Area Health Service**

- **Mr Gavin Austin, Acting Chief Executive Officer**

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**Public Hearing on Thursday 22 February 2012**

**Level 4, Henty House, Launceston**

**8.30am Northern Area Health Service**

- **Mr John Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer**
- **Ms Sonia Purse, Director of Finance**