

Legislative Council

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

The Legislative Council Inquiry into the cost reduction strategies of the Department of Health and Human Services will continue this week with public hearings in Hobart on **Friday 16 November 2012.**

The hearing seeks to determine the effects of the costs savings strategies on the delievery of health services across the State during the peak winter period.

"The winter period brings increased stress on the health system, and it is important to establish how services have been impacted by the costs savings during this time" Hon Ruth Forrest said.

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 hearings are attached.

FURTHER INFORMATION: Ruth Forrest MLC on 0419 879 524

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INQUIRY INTO

THE COST REDUCTION STRATEGIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Hearings on Friday 16 November 2012

Committee Room No.1, Parliament House, Hobart

9.30am	Dr Graeme Alexander
10.00am	Mr Matthew Daly, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services
11.00 -11.15	Morning tea
11.15am	Ms Jane Holden, Acting CEO of Tasmanian Health Organisation South
12.00pm	Mr Gavin Austin, Acting CEO of Tasmanian Health Organisation North-West
12.45pm	Australian Medical Association Dr John Davis, Dr Tim Greenaway
1.15pm – 2.00pm	Lunch
2.00pm	Dr Frank Nicklason
2.30pm	Mr John Kirwan, CEO of Tasmanian Health Organisation North
3.15pm	Break
4.00pm	Australian Nurses Federation