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**Paediatrics & Child Health Division**

**Chapter of Community Child Health Communique**

<b>From</b>	Dr Chris Pearson
<b>To</b>	Paediatrics & Child Health Division Fellows and Trainees, PCHD Committees, and other relevant areas of the College whether they be staff or College bodies.
<b>Date</b>	5 December, 2013
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Key Outcomes October 2013 Planning day</b>

The following is a summary of the key outcomes from the Chapter of Community Child Health (Chapter) meeting of 11 October 2013.

**Governance**

- Following the review and approval of the CCCH By-law each Special Interest Group (SIG) will develop standalone Terms of Reference.
- The Minutes of the Chapter of Child Community Health 8 March 2013 were accepted as a true record of the meeting.
- The unconfirmed minutes of the Chapter Annual Meeting as well as the SIG Annual Meetings (of August 2013) were noted and subsequently made available on the Chapter webpage.

**Membership**

- Currently there are no vacancies on the Committee however a number of representatives will be eligible to apply for a further term in line with the annual election cycle in 2014.
- The Specialist Advisory Committee (SAC) in Community Child Health is seeking a new Chair as the incumbent has announced her intended resignation. It was noted that the SAC is also seeking to appoint new members.
- The Committee will seek to place Chapter representatives on Australian state/territory committees where there is a vacancy and eligibility to do so.

**Business Planning**

The Committee reviewed the 2013 CCCH Plan and discussed CCCH priorities for 2014 including:

- Supporting the SAC in governance and membership matters as well as the review of the curriculum.
- Issue of Dual trainees and APHRA not recognising their qualification.
- Rue Wright Award at RACP Congress.
- Satellite Day 2014.
- Development of the new SIG Terms of Reference.
- Social determinants of health indicator.
- Appropriate communication to trainees.
- Recognition for those CCH members who gained Fellowship prior to the establishment of the SAC.

- The relationship between The Chapter of Community Child Health and relevant Societies such as the developing paediatric society and the Neurodevelopmental & Behavioural Paediatric Society of Australasia, and New Zealand child societies relevant to the Chapter.
- Incorporating terminology related to 'family' in to the Chapter.
- Contribution to PCHD position statements particularly on child protection and the role of paediatricians in the mental health of children.

#### **Other Business**

- Representatives spoke to jurisdictional matters.
- The Chairs of the SIGs spoke to specialty matters.

#### **Meeting Dates**

- Friday 7 February, 2013 – face-to-face in Sydney
- Other dates TBD.