

Quarantine Advisory Panel Meeting 4 - Communiqué 3 September 2021

Quarantine Advisory Panel

Chaired by Sue Ash AO, the Quarantine Advisory Panel (QAP) is a Ministerial response to reviews of quarantine arrangements in Western Australia. The QAP will;

- provide advice and support the Hazard Management Agency (HMA), the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Department of Health, in leading and managing WA's COVID-19 quarantine arrangements; and
- facilitate whole of government coordination and expert clinical and corporate governance input into WA's quarantine system.

Update

- Mapping the quarantine user journey will support the identification and evaluation of key risks within WA's current quarantine system.
- The QAP will take a targeted risk-based approach in providing assurance to government and advice to CEO of the Department of Health.
- Quarantine best practice principles will be derived from the work currently being undertaken by A/Prof Jane Halton AO PSM and will consider recommendations from the Doherty Institute.
- The QAP will initially review and provide advice on risk mitigation strategies applied to the current hotel quarantine environment. An interim report is expected to be presented to CEO, Department of Health at the end of September 2021.
- A webpage will be established on wa.gov.au outlining the QAP's activities, projects and outcomes.

The next Communiqué will be on Friday, 1 October 2021.