

Climate Health WA Inquiry

Tarun Weeramanthri biography

Tarun Weeramanthri is an independent consultant in public health, an adjunct professor in the School of Population and Global Health at the University of Western Australia, and joint specialty chief editor of *Frontiers in Public Health Policy*, an international open access journal.

He is a public health physician, and was Chief Health Officer in Western Australia (WA) from 2008 to 2018, and in the Northern Territory (NT) from 2004 to 2007.

He has particular interests in policy and regulation and steered the introduction into WA of the *Public Health Act 2016*, replacing the old *Health Act 1911*.

In 2014, he was awarded the Sidney Sax

Medal by the Public Health Association of Australia, for his contribution to public health in Australia.

In 2018, he received the Minister for Health's Award, the highest individual excellence award given by WA Health.

