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Submission Guidance
<p>You are encouraged to address the following question:</p> <p>In the context of the Sustainable Health Review Terms of Reference listed below, what is needed to develop a more sustainable, patient centred health system in WA?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leveraging existing investment in Primary, Secondary and Tertiary healthcare, as well as new initiatives to improve patient centred service delivery, pathways and transition; • The mix of services provided across the system, including gaps in service provision, sub-acute, step-down, community and other out-of-hospital services across WA to deliver care in the most appropriate setting and to maximise health outcomes and value to the public; • Ways to encourage and drive digital innovation, the use of new technology, research and data to support patient centred care and improved performance; • Opportunities to drive partnerships across sectors and all levels of government to reduce duplication and to deliver integrated and coordinated care; • Ways to drive improvements in safety and quality for patients, value and financial sustainability, including cost drivers, allocative and technical efficiencies; • The key enablers of new efficiencies and change, including, research, productivity, teaching and training, culture, leadership development, procurement and improved performance monitoring; • Any further opportunities concerning patient centred service delivery and the sustainability of the WA health system.

Submissions Response Field

Please type your response into the field below. Alternatively you may provide your submissions as a separate attachment (Suggested Maximum 5 pages).

I am a resident of Mandurah which is part of the larger Peel Region and which is the fastest growing region in WA, if not Australia.

The Peel Health Campus was established in a period when Mandurah was simply seen as a retirement mecca but the Town has now grown to become a City by virtue of the enormous population growth in the area. When the Peel Health campus was operated by the Health Department it developed a chequered reputation both for its Management and its Clinical outcomes and was generally seen as a poorly run facility.

Since the operations of the Hospital was contracted to Ramsay Health Care Group that reputation has now swung 180 degrees and it is now accepted as a very asset to the region. Whilst it is operating at a multiple to its intended capacity it is now seen as providing a much more acceptable level of service to the region that it was in its original format as a Health Dept run Hospital.

I understand that Ramsay Health Care Group is very keen to redevelop the site at Murdoch and to provide a very much expanded facility and operation. From newspaper reports I understand that another private operator was interested in developing a separate site with a private hospital but has since withdrawn.

Ramsay Health Care is offering to construct expanded facilities at their own cost on the basis that it secures a contracted management tenure sufficient to enable it to recoup its costs over an extended period. Apparently the money is "on the table" so to speak but they have not been able to secure that longer term tenure. In the recent State Election there was a promise by the now Government to take management of Peel back into the hands of the Health Department.

Not only does the region need a very much expanded facility, Professionals to whom I have spoken who once visited Peel for Surgery and Clinics no longer do so because the facility is not sufficiently large for them to warrant using it. An expanded, Privately Funded expansion is not only desperately needed by the Peel Community from a medical point of view, it would also provide construction, employment and ongoing employment for many locals.

This is a "no brainer". Ramsay will totally fund the redevelopment (NO COST TO GOVERNMENT), run the Campus in a manner which has already earned them praise from the community and the health authorities, provide work in the construction phase, ongoing employment after construction, provide economic stimulus to the business in the Peel Region and provide a very much needed facility for the Peel Region.

If this were done, more and more specialists would consider visiting the facility and provide very much needed medical services for the aging population of Peel.

I hear of cancer survivors who need to travel to Perth for their ongoing treatment at present. This could be eliminated and save many \$\$\$\$ if the oncology services could be provided locally.