

GP PLUS EMERGENCY HOSPITALS TASKFORCE

CHAIR'S BULLETIN

The Taskforce is comprised of the following members:

- Mr Peter Blacker (Chair)
- Dr Peter Rischbieth, Rural Doctors Association of SA
- Dr Alison Edwards, Rural Divisions Group of General Practice SA
- Dr Peter Sharley, Australian Medical Association
- Ms Lyn Poole, Rural Doctors Workforce Agency
- Ms Elizabeth Dabars, Australian Nursing Federation – SA
- Ms Dolly Costello, Public Service Association
- Ms Mary Buckskin, Aboriginal Health Council of South Australia
- Mr James Maitland, Local Government Association
- Mr David Panter, SA Health
- Dr Peter Joyner, Country Health SA Board Health Advisory Council
- Mr George Beltchev, Country Health SA Hospital

The inaugural meeting of the Taskforce was held on 25 July 2008, with the following key points made:

All members indicated their commitment to the work of the Taskforce and to achieve the stated objectives.

The Terms of Reference were confirmed, with points of clarification, and will shortly be made public.

Initially Taskforce meetings will be held on a fortnightly basis.

Agreement was reached on a comprehensive community consultation process. A schedule of consultations will be developed at the next meeting and communities will be advised accordingly.

The community consultation process will start soon.

The Taskforce agreed that public comment on the work of the Taskforce be made by the Chair, Mr Peter Blacker.

Any comments can be forwarded to pdb@bigpond.net.au

Peter Blacker
CHAIR
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