



PalliativeCare
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

ACT BOARD OUTCOMES

from meeting of 27 March 2023

FROM THE PRESIDENT

OPERATIONAL PLAN

Last month I mentioned the work being done to prepare an Operational Plan for the next twelve months. The first draft of the plan has revealed the amount of work on our plate including such things as:

- ensuring our clients receive access to all PC ACT services;
- automating aspects of the volunteer program by harnessing technology improving how we capture data;
- responding to the enquiry on Voluntary Assisted Dying by explaining what palliative care actually is and how it sits viz-a-viz VAD; and
- ensuring effective engagement with consumers and clinical service providers in the ACT.

The focus of the next short period of time is to prioritise the activities within the Operational Plan to ensure we can continue to deliver the high-quality outcomes for our community.

FINANCE REPORTING

Also last month I mentioned the engagement of Rob Smith who has been employed on a two day a week basis since the end of January. He has reviewed and redesigned the accounting structure to accommodate reporting on programs, and has created a new chart of accounts. New budget templates will give us a granular understanding of costs.

FUNDRAISING DINNER

Arrangements for the dinner are buzzing along. We still have capacity for a few more tables and we are still looking for silent auction items. The dinner is our major fundraiser for the year and it is a wonderful night. We are offering a three course meal, plus wine, a band, the butterfly bags, a champagne bar, live and silent auctions and lots of fun. The dinner will be held at The Q (the old Lakeside Hotel) starting at 6.30 pm on Saturday 29 April. If you are an individual who would like to come, we will place you at a table of wonderful people. If you are an organisation that would like to book a table please let us know quickly. We can issue a tax invoice if you need one. Please call Masia on 6255 5771 if you would like a ticket, a table or you have some fabulous goodies to add to our auction items.

A SAD FAREWELL

Ms Carolyn Smith has advised that she will be stepping down from the Board after the dinner. Ms Smith has made an excellent contribution over the past few years, in particular, with the work she undertook in developing the Model of Care which helped secure funding for Leo's Place. Ms Smith has made a really valuable contribution during her tenure, and she will be missed.

Dr. Louise Mayo AM
President