

**Independent Performance Assessment
Solomon Islands – Health Sector Support Program Phase 3 2018**

Management Response

<p><u>Performance linked funding (PLF)</u></p> <p>The review found that Ministry of Health and Medical Services (MHMS) achieved an overall performance rating of 65% against the agreed targets and indicators. Performance at the national level was 67% (measured against health reform and human resources, health information systems, public financial management, services) and at the provincial level was 67% (measured against planning and monitoring, outreach, and services and health status)</p> <p>The recommendation was that AUD1,733,662.43 of a possible AUD2,665,700 be paid to MHMS as PLF.</p>	<p><i>Assessment against performance indicators agreed</i></p> <p>Australia has provided performance linked funding of AUD1,733,662.43 to the Ministry of Health and Medical Services, in line with the recommendations of the Independent Assessor.</p>
<p><u>Operational recommendations to MHMS</u></p> <p>The review makes a range of operational recommendations for 2018 to MHMS to improve its performance in relation to targets and indicators.</p>	<p><i>Subject to MHMS decision - Agreed.</i></p> <p>Australia supports the operational recommendations for 2018 set out in the Independent Assessment. These recommendations were discussed with Australian Government, MHMS executives and at the Joint Annual Performance Review on 6 May April 2019. MHMS have endorsed the recommendations of the Independent Performance Assessment. We will continue discussion with MHMS on progress on these actions, including ways in which Australia may provide support.</p>
<p><u>Payment linked performance indicators 2019</u></p> <p>The review recommends a set of targets and indicators for 2019</p>	<p><i>Subject to agreement between Australia and MHMS</i></p> <p>Australia welcomes the recommendations for 2019 performance indicators and targets. As noted, in the report, the 2019 indicators were discussed and broadly agreed at a meeting with the Independent Assessor, MHMS Executive and Australian Government on 6 May 2019. While the majority of indicators relating to health service delivery remain unchanged, some are unchanged and new indicators have been added, such as, Organisational Structure, Role Delineation Policy Implementation, Maternal Deaths, Maternal Death Reviews Addressing NCDs and GBV training. Further consultation between</p>

	MHMS and Australia is required to agree on the remaining agreed 2019 PLF indicators.
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