

B U N D A B E R G  
H E A L T H P R O M O T I O N S



ANNUAL **REPORT**  
2022/2023

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# EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

**Associate Professor Martin Strahan,  
BHPL Executive Chairman**



BHPL opened the Branyan Clinic in January 2012 funded by a \$5 million GP Super Clinic grant from the federal government health department. Sixty GP Super Clinics around Australia were funded and opened during the period 2010 to 2014. The ten objectives of the GP Super Clinic program are listed below. This annual report will demonstrate our increasing success in meeting these objectives.

- Provide patients with well-integrated multidisciplinary patient-centred care.
- Be responsive to local community needs and priorities, including the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and older Australians in residential aged care homes and community-based settings.
- Provide accessible, culturally appropriate and affordable care to their patients.
- Provide support for preventive care.
- Demonstrate efficient and effective use of information technology.
- Provide a working environment and conditions which attract and retain their workforce.
- Be centres of high-quality best practice care.
- Operate with viable, sustainable and efficient business models.
- Support the future primary care workforce.
- Integrate with local programs and initiatives.

The Chronic Disease Program initiatives at BHPL continue to increase the annual number of patient services and are very well received by patients. Our Cardiac Rehabilitation Program (HeartStart) is now in its 30th year of operation and continues to have an annual intake of more than 500 patients. This means nearly every family in Bundaberg has had a family member or close friend engage with HeartStart. It is an effective program and creates enormous loyalty and goodwill amongst its participants.

The BHPL Community Housing Program is now embedded providing 13 three-bedroom houses in Bundaberg for socially disadvantaged families. The houses are fully tenanted and in good repair. There is an ongoing maintenance program conducted with support from our partner in this project, Regional Housing Ltd.

BHPL is the beneficiary of dedicated volunteers, contract doctors, and employees who find great satisfaction in delivering a unique quality of preventive health care services to our community.

# ACADEMIC LEAD'S REPORT



**Professor Jenni Judd, CQUniversity,  
Bundaberg Health Promotions Limited (BHPL).**

The BHPL Academic Lead position has been filled by Professor Jenni Judd of Central Queensland

University part-time (4-12 hours per month) since January 2023. This position reflects a partnership between Professor Judd (CQU) and BHPL in developing Bundaberg's health promotion and research activity. It is recognised that the proportionality of time commitment by the Academic Lead to BHPL activity is not confined by time or space and will be enmeshed with other health promotion and research activities. The original initiative of a partnership between Bundaberg Health Promotion Ltd, Central Queensland University, and Widebay Hospital Health Services ended in October 2021 and evolved into this new partnership arrangement.

The purpose of this position has been to provide leadership and support to BHPL in fulfilling the objectives of the organisation, to provide direction and support to the rehabilitation program managers and the clinical practice manager, and to participate as a member of the Branyan Clinic Executive Committee monthly meeting, the Clinical Rehabilitation Program's Advisory Committee, and the Bundaberg Health Promotions Board meetings as an ex officio member. During this time, there have been

opportunities to facilitate and build capacity in developing BHPL program evaluation, research, and reporting activities. This has included bringing a health promotion and research focus to Bundaberg Health Promotion Ltd. to increase our research outputs and to base our practice on the best evidence.

I began this position in October 2016 and worked on a (0.2 FTE) until 2021, and now work 0.2 FTE for CQU and continue to provide strategic advice to programs within BHPL to support the objectives and aims of BHPL.

These objectives provide a foundation for us to plan and deliver our services to improve the health of the people of Bundaberg. You will see from the various program reports that multiple programs within our services have started to expand. Alongside the programs we facilitate are Heartsmart, Lungsmart, GP Services, a social housing program, and we have a variety of allied services such as Psychology, Prosthetics, and Medicolegal. We have a gym and a walking track (off-site) and assist in facilitating aqua aerobics as another physical activity option. There is also a home-based physical activity program for regional clients. COVID has continued to challenge health services and the population.

We have had a very successful year of improvements and expansion in programs. I enjoy working with Bundaberg Health Promotions Ltd. I have continued to publish and review peer-reviewed journal articles (5 published, 6 under

## Objectives

1. As a regional leader in cardiac rehabilitation BHPL delivers effective preventative chronic services, Lungsmart and Heartstart and related programs.
2. To promote disease and illness prevention in Bundaberg and its environs.
3. To promote and encourage an interdisciplinary approach to health promotion and disease prevention.
4. To initiate, facilitate and promote research in the interests of health promotion and disease prevention for the population of Bundaberg and its environs.
5. To develop, promote and encourage education in techniques, procedures and programs relating to disease prevention. (Targeted at GP's, Nurses, and allied health professionals)
6. To liaise and cooperate with any government or non-government organisation with interests in whole or in part, like Bundaberg Health Promotions Ltd.
7. To provide a forum for exchanging information on health promotion and prevention of disease.

review), work on research grants (2 submissions), and complete Higher Degree Research students (1 PhD). I currently supervise 8 Higher Degree research students. I continue to be Deputy Editor of the Health Promotion Journal of Australia, our peak Health Promotion journal in Australia. I want to congratulate the staff and the organisation for the innovative initiatives that it has grown. I look

forward to continuing to work with BHPL and being part of its growth!

Professor Jenni Judd  
*Academic Lead, Bundaberg Health Promotions Ltd*

# BRANYAN CLINIC REPORT



**Gaye Cook, Branyan Clinic Practice Manager**

Financial year  
2022 /2023  
saw Branyan  
Clinic continue  
with our clinic  
team of 4 full  
time doctors,  
3 part-time

doctors and 1  
full time registrar  
doctors. This period  
also saw additional

Allied Health team members and tenants joining our Multidisciplinary team. Our Nursing and Administration teams have continued to grow, developing into a very strong clinic team supporting each other to cope with the large patient demand.

GP clinic patient consultations continued to be in strong demand, along with large numbers of new patients seeking an appointment.

Thankfully for QLD residents, low COVID numbers allowed patients to continue to attend face to face consultations for general health consultation, essential Flu Vaccinations, dressings, etc and team members were also able to carry out workplace flu clinics.

The clinic continues its strong focus on providing a high level of quality care on a day-to-day basis by continuing to hold accreditation as a Registrar Training Post with JCU allowing continued placement of our GPT 1-2 Registrar for the 2022/2023 period. The clinic was able to add Dr Luke Whiting to the clinic teaching team following his accreditation as a second supervisor.

Our team continually works towards clinic reaccreditation through QPA. Branyan Clinic again achieved reaccreditation following a very successful survey visit on 21st October 2022. This accreditation was under the RACGP guidelines and standards 5, with our new expiration date as 31st January 2026.

Teaching of students continued in 2022/2023 with Medical Students from UQ and Nursing students from CQU.

The inclusion of students within our clinic provides both the students and clinical team with medical and social experience and allows the clinic to contribute to the personal and career development of the students and generates opportunities to share experiences and knowledge, gaining new perspectives, learning new skills and contributes to the future of the medical profession. The willingness shown by the members of our clinic team, allied health team, tenants within the clinic along with Friendly Society Pharmacy group, Hinkler Podiatry and Assoc. Prof. Martin Strahan supporting the integration of teaching and research within our education and health facility has been demonstrated by inclusion in interdisciplinary training and education programs held within the Branyan Clinic's modern and stylish facilities and offsite.

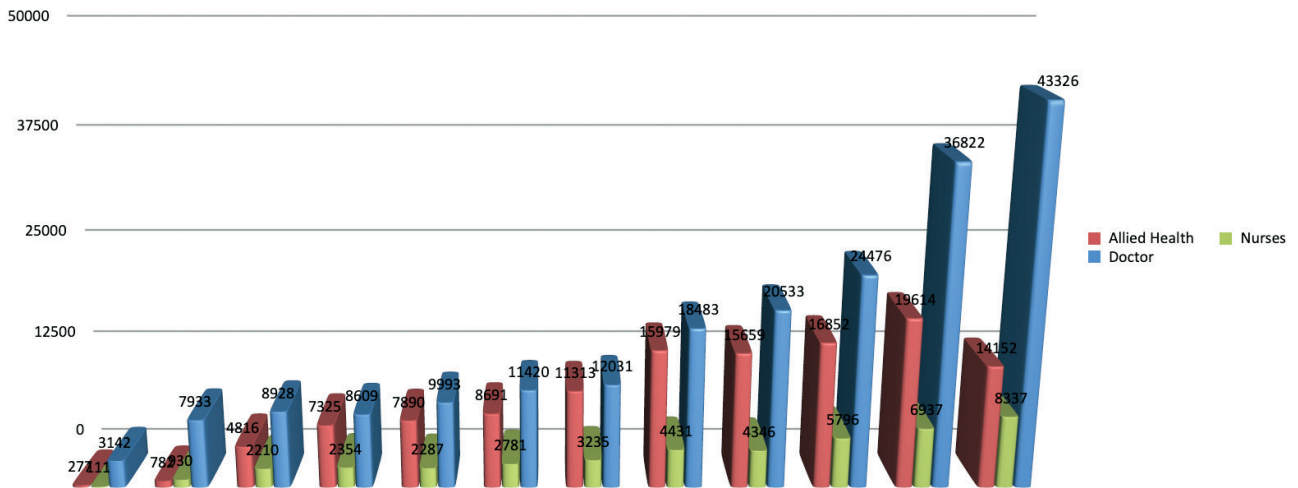
UK doctor - Dr Richard Bensa has continued as Clinical Educator whilst filling a Full Time Permanent doctor role and the Executive Council was very pleased to have Dr Bensa accept the Clinical Director role as well. In 2022 Dr Shanna Bailey expressed an interest in being involved with the GP in Schools Program working with

Patients Seen at BGPSC 2021 - 2022												
	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
Doctor	3958	4636	3759	4022	4337	3127	2866	3087	3617	2682	3845	3390
Allied Health	1688	1907	1663	1470	1044	503	701	1030	945	656	1518	1027
Nurses	664	710	702	683	775	568	475	678	718	594	1046	724

Total patients seen at BGPSC 2022



Patient numbers summary Branyan Clinic 2012 - 2023



North Bundy High in providing weekly in school consultations for students on a Tuesday. The current clinic team consists of GP Dr Catherine Leviste-Apostol, UK Doctors Dr Luke Whiting, Dr Trevor Akister and Dr Karen King from Ireland. January 2023 also saw a Full time GPT 1 -2 Registrar Doctor – Dr Pwint Khine join the clinic until January 2024.

Our GP team of 6 FullTime equivalent doctors has seen each doctor bring different skills and knowledge to our medical team, along with a commitment to supervision and education to Registrar Doctors and Medical Students.

Our clinic staff continue to offer a full range of General Practice services including booked appointments and acute walk in presentations with an increasing emphasis on chronic disease management, skin care and preventative health care. The clinic continues to provide appointments to patients Monday – Friday from 8:00am – 5:00pm with the addition of visits to local Nursing Home care facilities.

Our doctors, allied health professionals and visiting specialists are supported by 1 FullTime RN Nurse, 4 part time RN nurses and 1 FullTime EN (4.5 FTE) specialising in Chronic Care Planning, HeartStart/Lungsmart COPD Cardiac and lung rehab, My Health 4 Life program, GLA:D Program, ONERO Program and General Practice nursing.

Our clinic has the ability to

treat patients with low risk acute presentations ie: wound care, minor skin procedures, Skin Cancer Care, Orthopaedic Medicine, Paediatric Medicine, Women's Health, Men's Health, Pre-Employment Medicals, Obesity treatment, Non-Scalpel Vasectomies, Medicinal Cannabis, Vaccination and Travel Medicine.

The clinic continues to operate as a multidisciplinary centre providing access to Psychology, Diabetes Education, Physiotherapy, Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy, Exercise Physiology, Prosthetic and Orthotic solutions. Branyan Clinic has a pre-eminent program developed in a private/public partnership with the WBHHS – Lungsmart and HeartStart Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program which has been in place for over 5 years and delivers a valuable service to our patients and those referred from BBH, Friendlies Private Hospital and local GP's. Pathology services are provided with in the clinic by S&N Pathology on Monday – Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm.

Due to the large demand Telehealth Videoconferencing equipment is now available in all consulting rooms and offices, Gyms, the Boardroom and the Conference Room and is utilised by specialists, patients and staff. This additional access has assisted by decreasing the need for patients to travel to Brisbane to attend specialist appointments. This resource is also utilised for staff and student training.





# HEARTSTART PROGRAM REPORT

CARDIAC REHABILITATION



**HeartStart provides Cardiac and Heart Failure Rehabilitation in both Phase 2 (outpatient intensive exercise rehabilitation phase following ACS/intervention or**

**diagnosis of cardiac or heart failure condition and Phase 3 (ongoing support for behaviour change and ongoing exercise programs following completion of Phase II programs).**

Jessica Heaslip has been the Program Director for HeartStart since 2013 and returned to this role in 2023 following maternity leave. Our Allied Health Team welcomed new staff in March 2023 with Dylan Prescott and Travis Andison both Exercise Physiologists and

Physiotherapist Lauren Cameron all assisting referred patients in their Phase 2 face to face and home based exercise modes of rehabilitation.

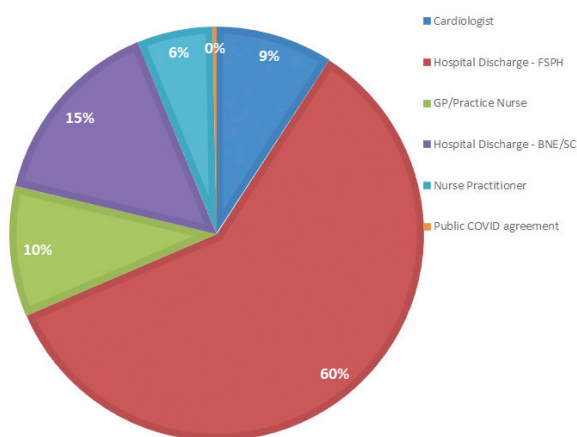
578 patients were referred to HeartStart Phase 2 Cardiac Rehabilitation in 2022-23. Since 2017 the referral numbers for cardiac patients has increased to an average of between 550 and 650 each financial year.

117 patients were referred to the HeartStart Heart Failure Rehabilitation in 2022-23. This figure has more than doubled since 2016.

HeartStart continues to deliver a comprehensive service providing patients with individual face to face education on cardiovascular risk factors and modification, symptom management guidance and support for behaviour change for secondary prevention. Our group-based Phase 2 onsite gym program is a popular option for patients







with over 200 cardiac patients and over 40 heart failure patients commencing this financial year. Phase II exercise rehabilitation is funded by WBHHS.

Dylan and Travis have been an integral part in providing the Phase 3 Walking Track and Water Aerobic based programs this year. The Walking Track program continues to provide a supervised exercise session combining paced walking and interval strength training and is provided to patients on 2 mornings and 2 afternoons each week. The Water Aerobic exercise program continues operation on 2 afternoons per week and remains a popular alternative for patients referred that have lower limb musculoskeletal limitations or peripheral vascular disease where by land based exercise is not recommended.

A focus for the 2022-23 financial year has been the HeartStart Exercise Physiology Phase 3 service. The aim of this service is to offer patients further reviews following completion

of Phase 2 program. These reviews are offered at 3-6-month intervals and include a comprehensive exercise assessment which aims to encourage exercise adherence, long-term outcomes and secondary prevention. This private service is provided by our Exercise Physiologists.

### Referral Designation:

Sixty percent (60%) of referrals came via the Friendlies Society Private Hospital CCU and Cath Lab which is operated under Advara Heart Care with fifteen percent (15%) received from Brisbane Hospitals for patients following cardiac surgery. The HeartStart program is well supported by local Cardiologists with Dr Hermann Wittmer continuing in his role as our Clinical Advisory Committee Chair overseeing clinical changes and direction of the programs.

### Outcome measures:

HeartStart completes cohort evidence-based outcome measures for both Cardiac Rehabilitation and Heart Failure patients that complete their Phase 2 programs including face to face and home-based exercise. Thus far in the 2022-23 FY 276 cardiac patients have commenced formal exercise rehabilitation programs and 64 heart failure patients and this includes patients attending the initial individual assessment/education appointment and then an exercise consultation which includes the sub-maximal six-minute walk exercise test. Patients also complete self-perceived health rating measures and questionnaires.

Program	Average of % of exercise sessions	Average of 6MWD Improvement	Average of Vas Differ	Average of MLWHFQ Differ
Cardiac Rehabilitation	84.32%	59.01	6.43	NA
Heart Failure Rehabilitation	88.96%	28.38	11.09	-2.61



**The LungSmart program** commenced operation at Bundaberg Health Promotions in July 2013.

*LungSmart delivers clinical programs that empower patients with chronic respiratory*

disease to improve their quality of life, increase exercise capacity, and reduce morbidity and mortality. LungSmart assists patients to identify and set goals, to promote change and long-term adherence to health-enhancing behaviours. .

**LungSmart Physiotherapy** offers individual cardio-respiratory physiotherapy consultation, including thorough assessment and standardised outcome measure assessment, followed by evidence-based therapies tailored to the patient. This service supports patients and their doctor/s to develop and regularly review a suitable management plan for controlling their symptoms of lung disease.

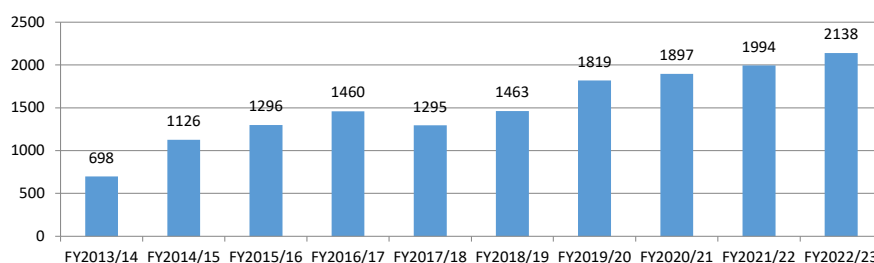
**LungSmart Phase 2 Pulmonary Rehabilitation** is group based and provides comprehensive treatment purposely tailored for people with chronic lung disease. This usually includes goal setting, supervised group exercise training twice weekly for eight weeks, patient education, and behaviour change strategies. Individualised exercise programs are developed and supervised by our physiotherapists. LungSmart offers multiple

timetables to attend standard (twice weekly for eight weeks) group pulmonary rehabilitation, and alternative program structures for those unable to enrol in standard pulmonary rehabilitation.

Pulmonary rehabilitation has been shown to reduce symptoms of breathlessness and fatigue, improve health-related quality of life (HRQoL)<sup>1</sup>, and reduce hospital readmissions after an exacerbation.<sup>2</sup> Pulmonary rehabilitation is considered a key component of the management of people with COPD<sup>3</sup> including Asthma COPD overlap. It is also recommended that people with Bronchiectasis or Interstitial lung disease undergo pulmonary rehabilitation.<sup>4</sup>

On completion, patients are recommended

**Physiotherapy - Occasions of Service**



to continue an independent home exercise program or attend sessions at an appropriate supervised exercise program. Bundaberg Health Promotions offers the Cornish Track Walking and Water Exercise programs. These are an ongoing health professional-supervised group exercise program, designed for people with stable chronic lung and/or cardiac conditions. These classes provided a safe continuation of appropriately targeted exercise to maintain the gains obtained through rehabilitation, in addition to

FY2022-23	Outcome measure		Minimal clinical important difference (MCID)	MD (95% CI) McCarthy 2015 Cochrane Review
Exercise tolerance	<i>6-minute walk test (6MWT)</i>	+26.5m	+25-33m (Singh 2014)	+43.9 (32.6-55.2)
Health-related Quality of Life (CRQSAS)	<i>Dyspnoea</i>	+0.6	+0.5 (Guyatt 2001)	+0.79 (0.56-1.03)
	<i>Fatigue</i>	+0.5	+0.5 (Guyatt 2001)	+0.68 (0.45-0.92)
	<i>Emotional function</i>	+0.5	+0.5 (Guyatt 2001)	+0.56 (0.34-0.78)
	<i>Mastery</i>	+0.4	+0.5 (Guyatt 2001)	+0.71 (0.47-0.95)
Symptom impact	<i>COPD Assessment Test (CAT)</i>	-2.7	-2 (Jones 2011)	
Composite outcome	<i>Updated BODE</i>	-1.2		
Dyspnoea	<i>mMRC</i>	-0.3		

Cohort evidence based outcome measure data analysis for those patients primarily diagnosed with COPD who completed their recommended pulmonary rehabilitation program and attended re-assessment.

providing participants with a supportive social environment.

331 patients were referred to LungSmart Phase 2 Pulmonary Rehabilitation in FY 2022-23. *LungSmart Physiotherapy* received 221 referrals in FY 2022-23.

Our Pulmonary Rehabilitation program is highly efficient and clinically effective. In FY 2022-23, the program operated with no waiting list for entry, and achieved high uptake rate (82%), adherence rate (75%), and completion rate (74%).

**Mr Simon Halloran** is the Program Director. Simon has a Bachelor's Degree in Physiotherapy graduating in 1997 from The University of Queensland. He is a member of the Australian Physiotherapy Association including the

Cardiorespiratory & Sport and Exercise National Groups, and is a member of the Lung Foundation Australia Pulmonary Rehabilitation Network.

He is a co-author for the Australian and New Zealand Pulmonary Rehabilitation Guidelines published in *Respirology* in February 2017. These guidelines provide evidence-based recommendations for the practice of pulmonary rehabilitation specific to Australian and New Zealand healthcare contexts.

He was a contributing author and project officer for the 'Better Living with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: A Patient Guide'. He continues to be a Content Reviewer, and the guide is now published in its Third Edition by Lung Foundation Australia.

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# SUMMARISED FINANCIAL REPORT

## PROFIT & LOSS

Bundaberg Health Promotions Ltd

ABN: 72 071 910 631

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year Ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
<b>Income</b>		
Queensland Health Rehabilitation Contract	540,622	466,575
Donations to Gift Fund	1,371	1,460
Branyan Clinic Medical Fee Income	3,243,889	2,537,321
Branyan Clinic Allied Health Income	133,729	141,225
Branyan Clinic Medicare PIP/PNIP	262,053	173,644
Branyan Clinic Other Income	121,838	36,688
Branyan Clinic SugarRight Income	74,743	495,648
Branyan Clinic Tenant Income Downstairs and Upstairs	218,193	265,224
Branyan Clinic Houses & Strategic Property Income	321,653	151,787
Branyan Clinic Cwth Govt Recognition of Capital Funding	234,633	234,633
Bank Interest Received	235	79
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>5,152,960</b>	<b>4,504,285</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Branyan Clinic Overhead Employment Costs	993,153	467,647
GP Support Employment Costs	-	157,538
Allied Health Employment Costs	167,929	247,667
HeartStart & LungSmart Employment Costs	410,069	474,272
Move4Life Employment Costs	-	18,191
SugarRight Employment Costs	-	297,574
Depreciation Costs	177,499	193,230
Computer Expenses	61,341	66,838
Contract Medical Services and Agency Fees	2,313,199	1,857,789
Contract Travel, Accommodation & Agency Costs	2,033	96,052
Council Rates 14 Branyan	36,159	34,801
Electricity 14 Branyan	19,647	16,955
Insurance 14 Branyan	28,010	24,828
Medical Supplies	62,963	70,462
Repairs & Maintenance 14 Branyan	47,195	85,514
Telephone	16,679	23,036
Other Costs	205,486	202,431
Units 2,3 & 4 / 10 Branyan Street	55,058	30,032
Houses & 16 Branyan Street	326,629	109,665
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>4,923,050</b>	<b>4,474,522</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>229,910</b>	<b>29,763</b>

# SUMMARISED FINANCIAL REPORT

## BALANCE SHEET

Bundaberg Health Promotions Ltd

ABN: 72 071 910 631

Statement of Financial Position for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	7,686	88,395
Accounts receivable & other debtors	115,053	5,467
Other current assets	6,061	13,571
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>128,800</b>	<b>107,433</b>
<b>Non Current Assets</b>		
Buildings at Cost	3,602,546	3,602,546
Buildings Accumulated Depreciation	(904,252)	(815,042)
Plant & Equipment at Cost	766,429	735,188
Plant & Equipment Accumulated Depreciation	(665,576)	(585,146)
Branyan Clinic Land at Cost	1,457,731	1,457,731
Branyan Clinic Land Improvements at Cost	291,008	291,008
Vehicle at Cost	17,845	17,845
Vehicle Accumulated Depreciation	(14,092)	(11,861)
Investment Properties (Houses)	5,031,475	4,994,199
Investment Propertis Accumulated Depreciation	(6,713)	(1,084)
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	<b>9,576,400</b>	<b>9,685,382</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>9,705,199</b>	<b>9,792,815</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and other payables	830,731	830,897
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>830,731</b>	<b>830,897</b>
<b>Non Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and other payables	6,571,927	6,889,287
<b>Total Non Current Liabilities</b>	<b>6,571,927</b>	<b>6,889,287</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>7,402,657</b>	<b>7,720,184</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>2,302,542</b>	<b>2,072,632</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Retained Surplus	2,302,542	2,072,631
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>2,302,542</b>	<b>2,072,631</b>

The complete Statutory Report is available upon request



# AUDITOR'S REPORT



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF BUNDABERG HEALTH PROMOTIONS LIMITED

#### OPINION

We have audited the financial report of Bundaberg Health Promotions Limited ("the Entity"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the declaration by those charged with governance.

In our opinion the financial report of the Entity has been prepared in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* ("the ACNC Act"), including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

#### BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

The responsible entities are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF MANAGEMENT AND THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE FOR THE FINANCIAL REPORT

Management of the Entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the ACNC Act, and for such internal control as management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management are responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

#### AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at: <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

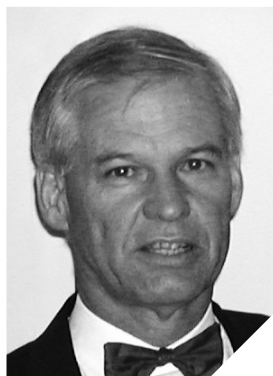
PILOT PARTNERS  
Chartered Accountants

CHRIS KING  
Partner

Signed on 18 September 2023

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# 2022 - 2023 BOARD MEMBERS



## CHAIR

### **A/Prof Martin Strahan**

MB BS DrPH FRACP FRCP FAFPHM FACPM

Consultant Physician/Public Health Physician

Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Queensland School of Medicine

Executive Director, Wide Bay Private Day Hospital

Chairman, Acorn Child Care Centres



## SECRETARY-TREASURER

### **Doug Burns**

BA FCPA GAICD

Certified Public Accountant

Executive Director/Licensee, Acorn Child Care Centres



## VICE-CHAIR

### **Dr Denise Powell**

MB BS (Hons) FRACGP MFM MAICD

General Practitioner

Practice Principal, Millbank Medical Practice

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