

STATEMENT OF DR DAVID JONATHAN RUSSELL-WEISZ

I, DR DAVID JONATHAN RUSSELL-WEISZ, c/- 189 Royal Street, East Perth WA 6004, Director-General of the Department of Health, do say as follows:

1. This statement has been prepared in response to Notice to Give Information or a Statement in Writing No. NTG-0570 (**Notice**) issued by the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety.
2. This statement addresses the matters set out in paragraphs 5 to 50 of the Notice. Unless otherwise stated, the information in this statement is within my own knowledge or has been obtained by me through an examination of the records held by the Department of Health or from the advice of officers employed therein.

Employment history, qualifications and professional experience

3. I am the Director-General of the Department of Health. I was appointed to that role on 1 August 2015.
4. I hold a MB ChB from University of Dundee. My other qualifications are as follows: DRCOG, MRCGP, FIMC RCS, FACRRM, FRACGP, MHA, FACHSM, and FAICD.
5. Prior to my appointment as Director-General I was Chief Executive Commissioning, Fiona Stanley Hospital commencing November 2012, and prior to that I spent 6 years as Chief Executive of North Metropolitan Health Service. Also in 2013 I acted in the position I now currently hold.
6. I have no relevant experience in working in aged care.

Response to Notice

7. **Attached** to this Statement and marked 'DJRW1' is a document setting out the Department of Health's response to paragraphs [5] to [50] of the Notice.