

28th of June 2018

Dear Colleagues,

Many of you may have heard the news coverage last night and this morning talking about the current financial position of our health service.

I wanted to reassure you that as we stand today, and into the projected future, we are meeting our financial obligations which include your wages and bills.

Since 2015, together with the Board and other bush nursing community hospitals, we have been talking with government.

Like many health services, BDHC is facing the challenges of increasing demand and costs while our income remains relatively static.

We currently have a small deficit but will break even next financial year. Obviously, we cannot remain complacent and meeting the needs of the local community will always be a challenge.

Our annual Board strategic planning day is this weekend and will help us to map out a way forward to remain sustainable for the next five years.

Once this work has been finalized, the strategic plan will be documented and made available to staff and the community.

You have my commitment that you will be kept informed of all progress.

If you would like to discuss anything further, please contact me.

Yours Sincerely

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Chief Executive Officer