

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Patient Assisted Travel Scheme Inquiry - Public Hearings in Regional Western Australia

The Standing Committee on Public Administration will be holding public hearings on the following dates in the following locations:

Thursday, 6 November 2014 Northam Monday, 17 November 2014 Bunbury

in relation to the Inquiry into the Patient Assisted Travel Scheme.

The hearings will be held at locations to be announced.

'The Committee received more than 100 submissions to the Inquiry,' said Chairman Liz Behjat MLC. 'We have already travelled to five Western Australian Country Health regions and will now visit the remaining two regions, the Wheatbelt and South West. We will be visiting regional hospitals and holding public hearings.'

The Committee is interested in hearing from people who wish to appear before it. The terms of reference for the inquiry can be found <u>here</u>.

It is not a requirement for a potential witness wanting to give oral evidence to have provided a written submission to the Inquiry. Similarly, any person who has provided a written submission does not have to give oral evidence as well, unless there are further matters they wish to raise that have not been covered in their written submission.

The location and time of the hearings will be posted to the Committee's website at www.parliament.wa.gov.au/pub as the information becomes available.

If you're interested in appearing before the Committee, please contact Ms Lauren Mesiti, Committee Clerk, on 9222 7376 prior to the meeting date for further information. Due to time constraints, only those people who have requested a hearing before the Committee will be able to give evidence on the day.