

CRANAplus Board Charter

PURPOSE

The purpose of this charter is to facilitate and promote good governance of CRANAplus.

PREAMBLE

The CRANAplus Board consists of up to nine Directors who all act in a voluntary capacity to guide and direct the organisation. Good governance requires that Directors discharge their duties with care and diligence regardless of whether or not they are remunerated

OUR VISION

To be the leading experts supporting the remote and isolated health workforce.

OUR PURPOSE (MISSION)

From the CRANAplus Constitution

CRANAplus exists to promote the development and delivery of safe, high-quality healthcare to remote areas of Australia and her external territories by:

- Improving the professional status and accountability of the workforce
- Promoting culturally safe practice
- Contributing to the development of remote health standards
- Providing a forum for debate on remote health matters
- Providing support for the remote health workforce and their families
- Providing the remote health workforce's perspective on remote health issues
- Collaborating to improve remote health outcomes
- Brokering and providing remote health education programs
- Pursuing community development
- Disseminating information about remote health
- Developing remote health guidelines and influencing remote health policy
- Developing the current and future remote health workforce; and
- Contributing to overcoming remote health inequalities.



OUR VALUES

- Integrity
- Social Justice
- Excellence
- Respect
- Inclusiveness
- Accountability
- Safety

THE DIRECTORS' CODE OF CONDUCT

From “Corporate Governance Handbook for Company Directors and Committee Members: A Reference Guide to Understanding the Serious Commitment of being a Company Director or Committee Member”, Second edition June 2010, Australian Government.

1. A Director must act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of the organisation as a whole.
2. A Director has a duty to use due care and diligence in fulfilling the functions of their office and exercising powers attached to that office.
3. A Director must use the powers of their office for a proper purpose, in the best interests of the organisation as a whole.
4. A Director must recognise that the primary responsibility is to the organisation as a whole but should, where appropriate, have regard to the interests of all stakeholders in the organisation.
5. A Director must not make improper use of information acquired as a Director.
6. A Director must not take advantage of being in the position of a Director.
7. A Director must declare personal interests, or the interest of any associated person, to identify potential or actual conflicts of interest of the organisation.
8. A Director has an obligation to be independent in judgment and actions and to take all reasonable steps to be satisfied as to the soundness of all decisions taken by the Board.
9. Confidential information received as a Director in the course of exercising those duties remains the property of the organisation from which it was obtained and it is improper to disclose it, or allow it to be disclosed, unless that disclosure has been authorised by that organisation, or the person from whom the information is provided, or is required by law.
10. A Director should not engage in conduct likely to bring discredit to the organisation.
11. A Director has an obligation, at all times, to comply with the spirit, as well as the letter, of the law.
12. Obligations extend beyond your term of office.



THE DIRECTOR'S PLEDGE

As a Director on the Board of CRANAplus, I affirm I will:

- Discharge my duties with care and diligence, making decisions impartially
- Act in the best interests of CRANAplus
- Comply with the Director's Code of Conduct, the CRANAplus Constitution and applicable laws
- Act in good faith regarding the Board and CRANAplus generally
- Demonstrate the values of CRANAplus; and
- Strive to fulfill the vision and purpose of CRANAplus.