

Queensland Health submission

Queensland Health provided a brief submission on the Queensland Competition Authority's Approach to climate change related expenditure discussion paper. The e-mail from Queensland Health's Office of Hospital Sustainability, received on 19 December 2022, said:

We appreciate the opportunity to review the discussion paper and Queensland Health makes the following comments:

The QCA paper rightly identifies the need for expenditure in resilient infrastructure to underpin climate adaptation and investment in mitigation efforts to reduce emissions. In addition, Queensland Health calls attention to the need to prepare for the adverse health impacts on individuals and communities associated with climate change, and the additional cost pressures on health services in meeting this demand. A more holistic approach to mitigation, adaptation and health impacts, is strongly recommended, including targeted research and investments, together with a more robust national and global health-centred approach to minimise the adverse outcome of climate change.