

Australian Capital Territory

Health (Local Hospital Network Council Member) Appointment 2014 (No 4)

Disallowable instrument DI2014–237

made under the

Health Act 1993, section 16 (Membership of council)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This instrument is made under section 16 of the *Health Act 1993*.

Part 3A of the *Health Act 1993* establishes the ACT Local Hospital Network Council. Members of the ACT Local Hospital Network Council are appointed by the Minister for Health under section 16.

This instrument re-appoints Mr Christopher Harding as a member of the ACT Local Hospital Network Council for a period of two years. Mr Harding has expertise in financial management matters.

Mr Harding has been a senior consultant specialising in undertaking complex reviews in the health sector as well as governance, business process and personnel reviews for Government organisations at the Commonwealth, State and Territory level. Mr Harding is also a former senior executive with the Australian Government Department of Veterans Affairs, working as Director Budget, Assistant Secretary, Resources and Hospital and Business Development and Division Head Business Integrity. Mr Harding also held the positions of Internal Auditor and Acting Assistant Secretary (Finance) within the Canberra Hospital in the mid to late 1970s.

Over the past twenty years, Mr Harding has had key responsibility for providing innovative and sound financial advice that has enabled the Australian Government to undertake a number of major micro-economic reforms, particularly in the areas of health, aviation and information technology.

Mr Harding has served as a member of the ACT Local Hospital Network Council since 18 September 2012.

The appointee is not an ACT Public Servant and this instrument makes an appointment to which the *Legislation Act 2001*, Division 19.3.3 applies. Accordingly

under section 229 of the *Legislation Act 2001*, the instrument is a disallowable instrument.

This re-appointment has been approved by the ACT Minister for Health and the Standing Committee on Health, Ageing, Community and Social Services has been consulted in accordance with section 228 (Consultation with appropriate Assembly committee) of the *Legislation Act 2001*.