

## Climate Health WA Inquiry

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### Terms of Reference

You are encouraged to address at least ONE of the Terms of Reference as listed below. Please select which item/s you will address:

- 1. Establish current knowledge on the implications of climate change for health in Western Australia (WA) and recommend a framework for evaluating future implications.
- 2. Identify and recommend a program of work to manage the implications of climate change for health in WA, which will protect the public from the harmful health impacts of climate change.
- 3. Identify and recommend a program of work to manage the implications of climate change for health in WA, which will strengthen the preparedness and resilience of communities and health services against extreme weather events, with a focus on the most vulnerable in the community.

- 4. Identify and recommend a program of work to manage the implications of climate change for health in WA, which will reduce the contribution of WA health services to climate change and other detrimental impacts.
- 5. Identify and recommend a program of work to manage the implications of climate change for health in WA, which will enable WA Health services to implement change, including energy efficiency, to a more sustainable model.
- 6. Evaluate the likely benefits (health and wellbeing, social and economic) arising from climate change mitigation strategies, with a focus on WA health services.
- 7. Define the role of the Department of Health in leading public policy on climate change and health.
- 8. Recommend the Terms of Reference, scope and preferred methods for undertaking a climate change vulnerability assessment for the health sector.
- 9. Recommend the Terms of Reference, scope and preferred methods for developing a Climate Change Adaptation Plan for the health sector.

### **Submissions response field**

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Climate Change has been happening since the earth was formed and will continue until it destructs by natural means or human intervention.

I believe most of our health problems these days come from chemicals being used on our food grown or in our food while being processed, being sprayed into the air and declining soil structure health

To solve these two major problems, we need to reverse soil structure degradation, which in turn will help in reducing the need for chemical use.

The main cause of soil degradation is, after clearing the native vegetation, it created a water/air imbalance in the soil , thus commencing the soil structure degradation, (similar to what happens in our body when all is not working in harmony and will eventually make us sick.

The above problems will also effect the climate as vegetation health deteriorates and can not do their job cleaning the atmosphere.

To reverse this problem there is an engineering system that combined with natures subsurface infrastructure in the soil can rehabilitate it back to a healthy state.

This problem is worldwide, but it can start on a subcatchment basis to fit financial time constraints.

In our local area and further north(possibly Karratha) serious consideration is essential in having a radiotherapy in these areas, this would save patients and carers a lot of stress.

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