New board members profiles



Catherine Morgan

A passionate Audiologist with more than 15 years' experience encompassing clinical practice with hearing impaired children and adults, clinical evidence generation for hearing technology innovations - leading international multicenter studies, more recently executive leadership of NALs Clinical Trials business model creating functional strategies, sound governance.

The role excited me both with respect to the individual challenges associated with attending to the growing issue of hearing health and well-being and the collective opportunity to make a difference across the wider community. This is the primary reason for my I recent move to NAL.

I have worked in range of industries within health operating in highly regulated areas, both for-profit listed and not-for-profit organisations, I have an appreciation for the requirements associated within each, specifically, a high number of stakeholders, policy frameworks, long-term strategic thinking and analysis and integrity.

My key competencies include:

• Empathetic values driven Leader, with the ability to influence and communicate at all levels of the organisation.

• Business Partnering approach to stakeholder management, partnering with internal/external stakeholders to achieve desired strategic and tactical outcomes.

• Governance skillset & experience in leading end-to-end project management, reporting, procurement, governance, operational risk, and audit. Designing, implementing, and transforming governance frameworks to protect integrity of businesses operating in the rapidly changing environments.

• Complementary risk experience, with experience in setting up clinical risk management frameworks; clinical Risk Benefit statements.

• Demonstrated success delivering major transformational initiatives; designing and executing strategies roadmaps that assist in creating businesses of the future.

• Visible change leader with an ability to inspire, motivate teams, through journeys of transformation, setting and communicating a shared vision, culture and behaviour code that empowers openness and inclusivity

I consider my skillsets and interests align closely with the board role and I would appreciate your consideration of my application. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Nominator: Hearing Australia



Barry McKinnon

Barry MacKinnon was raised in Bridgetown (a small town in the South West), and attended Bridgetown High School before going to Perth to board at Wesley College. He later went on to UWA, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Economics and a diploma in accounting. Before entering politics, MacKinnon worked as an accountant.

Barry spent 6 years as leader of the WA Liberal Party and Leader of the Opposition between 1986 and 1992. He has extensive experience in community service, politics and the corporate & disability sectors. Barry was involved with many organisations in the disability sector including the Disability Services Commission, Commonwealth Hearing Services Consultative Committee, Telethon Speech and Hearing, Amanda Young Foundation, Mental Health Advisory Council, Hearing Research and Support Foundation, and Deafness Council WA.

Barry is a parent of a son, Michael, with a hearing loss. He was a Board member of TSH (then the Speech & Hearing Centre) from 1983-1986, during which time he also was Chair until he became the leader of the State Liberal Party. He was a key figure in the establishment of an organisation called PUSH (Parents United to Support Hearing Impaired Children) from 1991.

In 1997, Barry was made a Member of the Order of Australia for services to people with hearing impairments. He also received a Centenary Medal in 2001.

Barry has also been:

- Chairman Disability Services Commission December 1994–August 2007
- Chairman Deafness Council of WA from August 1993
- Member of the Commonwealth Hearing Services Advisory Committee April 2000–February 2005
- Chairman Commonwealth Hearing Services Consultative Committee from February 2005
- Member of the Hearing Research and Support Foundation
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