These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to Section 62(1) of the Financial Accountability Act 2009 (the Act), relevant sections of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2009 and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with Section 62(1)(b) of the Act, we certify that in our opinion:

(a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects and

(b) the statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the Department of Health for the financial year ended 30 June 2012 and of the financial position of the department at the end of that year.

Susan Middleditch
Deputy Director-General
System Support Services

30/9/12

Dr Tony O’Connell
Director-General

28/9/12
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Accountable Officer of Queensland Health


I have audited the accompanying financial report of Queensland Health, which comprises the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2012, statement of changes in equity, statement of cash flows, statement of assets and liabilities by major departmental services and SSP, and statement of comprehensive income by major departmental services and SSP for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certificates given by the Director-General and the Deputy Director-General, System Support Services.

The Accountable Officer's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Accountable Officer is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with prescribed accounting requirements identified in the Financial Accountability Act 2009 and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2009, including compliance with Australian Accounting Standards. The Accountable Officer's responsibility also includes such internal control as the Accountable Officer determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on the audit. The audit was conducted in accordance with the Auditor-General of Queensland Auditing Standards, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require compliance with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and that the audit is planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control, other than in expressing an opinion on compliance with prescribed requirements. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Accountable Officer, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report including any mandatory financial reporting requirements approved by the Treasurer for application in Queensland.

I believe that the audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.
Independence

The Auditor-General Act 2009 promotes the independence of the Auditor-General and all authorised auditors. The Auditor-General is the auditor of all Queensland public sector entities and can be removed only by Parliament.

The Auditor-General may conduct an audit in any way considered appropriate and is not subject to direction by any person about the way in which audit powers are to be exercised. The Auditor-General has for the purposes of conducting an audit, access to all documents and property and can report to Parliament matters which in the Auditor-General’s opinion are significant.

Opinion

In accordance with s.40 of the Auditor-General Act 2009 –

(a) I have received all the information and explanations which I have required; and
(b) in my opinion -
   (i) the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
   (ii) the financial report presents a true and fair view, in accordance with the prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of Queensland Health for the financial year 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 and of the financial position as at the end of that year.

Other Matters - Electronic Presentation of the Audited Financial Report

This auditor’s report relates to the financial report of Queensland Health for the year ended 30 June 2012. Where the financial report is included on Queensland Health’s website the Accountable Officer is responsible for the integrity of Queensland Health’s website and I have not been engaged to report on the integrity of Queensland Health’s website. The auditor’s report refers only to the subject matter described above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from these statements or otherwise included with the financial report. If users of the financial report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from publication on a website, they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the audited financial report to confirm the information contained in this website version of the financial report.

These matters also relate to the presentation of the audited financial report in other electronic media including CD Rom.

A M GREAVES FCA FCPA
Auditor-General of Queensland

Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

28 SEP 2012