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Kidney Health Australia Announces Departure of CEO

Ms. Anne Wilson, the long-serving Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Kidney Health Australia, today announced that she will be stepping down after over 13 years at the helm.

Ms Wilson joined Kidney Health Australia as CEO in January 2003, and was appointed Managing Director of the Board in 2009. During her time with Kidney Health Australia, Ms Wilson has spearheaded and overseen the most significant changes in the organisation's 48-year history, including successfully transitioning the former Australian Kidney Foundation from a confederation of state bodies to one national organisation.

Ms Wilson, who will leave on Friday May 27, has also been responsible for building a platform of internationally recognised health programs and services, developed a diversified portfolio of revenue streams for financial sustainability, increased revenue five fold and established the Priscilla Kincaid-Smith Kidney Research Foundation among other key achievements.

"I am immensely proud of my time with Kidney Health Australia and everything the organisation has achieved," said Ms Wilson, "I feel privileged to have worked with a team of talented and passionate professionals, and humbled to have witnessed first hand the impact our work has had on Australians affected by kidney disease," she added.

"The Board of Kidney Health Australia sincerely thanks Ms. Wilson for her leadership, dedication and contribution to the organisation and kidney sector over the course of her thirteen-year tenure, and we wish her well in her future professional endeavours," said Mr David Morgan, the Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Morgan went on to say: "It is an exciting time of growth and change for the organisation. We are in a solid financial position and are well-poised to build upon the strong foundations Ms. Wilson has built in establishing Kidney Health Australia as the nation's peak body for kidney disease. The Board and Senior Management Team have worked closely with Ms Wilson over recent months to prepare a transition plan that will enable the organisation to flourish in the future."

Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary, Ms Rosanna Caré, will take on the role of Interim CEO effective May 28, and a national recruitment process is currently underway to secure a new CEO to continue to deliver the organisation's vision to 'save and improve the lives of Australians affected by kidney disease'.

For more information about Kidney Health Australia's work, visit kidney.org.au.

Kidney Health Australia, formerly the Australian Kidney Foundation, is a national health care charity with a vision 'to save and improve the lives of Australians affected by kidney disease'. As the national peak body, Kidney Health Australia promotes good kidney health through delivery of programs in education, advocacy, research and support.

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