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Palliative Care Australia expresses thanks to CEO

It is with reluctance that the Board of Palliative Care Australia has accepted the resignation of Chief Executive Officer, Ms Donna Daniell.

Ms Daniell has served Palliative Care Australia for almost five years. Under Ms Daniell's leadership, Palliative Care Australia has grown into a robust national body that is well positioned in the context of the health portfolio to take forward the provision of quality care at the end of life.

'Whilst disappointed, the board respects Donna's decision to resign for personal reasons', said President of Palliative Care Australia, Professor Margaret O'Connor AM.

The achievements of Palliative Care Australia have been significant throughout its almost 20-year history as a national organisation. As the custodian of the national palliative care standards for the delivery of quality palliative care, the innovator of the national community education initiative and advocate for policy that enables dying well, Palliative Care Australia has gained recognition for its work from governments, stakeholder groups and consumers.

The inclusion of end-of-life issues in contemporary health reform activities has generated considerable interest and Palliative Care Australia has the opportunity to ensure it remains well positioned to make a significant contribution to the shape of health care in Australia.

The board recognises and acknowledges Ms Daniell's extraordinary commitment to making a difference and her passion for the provision of quality care at the end of life and wishes her well in her future endeavours.

Palliative Care Australia has commenced recruiting for this position. For further information, see www.palliativecare.org.au.

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who share the ideal of quality care at the end of life

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