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Kidney Health Australia Announces Departure of CEO

Ms Mikaela Stafrace, the Chief Executive Officer of Kidney Health Australia has resigned from her role, effective 18 December 2017.

Ms Stafrace joined Kidney Health Australia as CEO in September 2016. During her time with Kidney Health Australia, Ms Stafrace achieved a number of major successes to support people whose lives are affected by kidney disease.

"The Board of Kidney Health Australia thank Ms. Stafrace for her leadership, dedication and contribution across the last 18 months to the organisation, and to the community affected by kidney disease. We wish her well in her future professional endeavours", said Professor Carol Pollock, the Chair of the Board of Kidney Health Australia.

Professor Pollock said "it is an exciting time for Kidney Health Australia. We have recently gone through a phase of transition, whilst maintaining a focus on the community we serve. We continue to provide advocacy, education and practical support required by patients with chronic kidney disease, their family and carers. And importantly, research to reduce the burden of kidney disease into the future. We are now in a very positive position to continue to deliver Kidney Health Australia's vision to save and improve the lives of Australians affected by kidney disease".

Dr Lisa Murphy, General Manager of Kidney Health Australia Research, stepped into the role of Acting CEO, effective from 22 December 2017. A national recruitment process is underway to secure a new CEO. For more information about Kidney Health Australia's work, visit <u>www.kidney.org.au</u>.

Kidney Health Australia, formerly the Australian Kidney Foundation, is a national health care charity and peak body with a vision 'to save and improve the lives of Australians affected by kidney disease'.

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