

14th August 2020

Dear Stakeholders and Friends in the work,

The 2019/2020 year has been full of challenges across communities, and DVSM's work is more important than ever.

The work of [our services](#) and the work through [Insight Exchange](#) continue to hold enormous value. This value is experienced in the lives of people directly supported through our NSW based services and in the lives of people indirectly supported through the contributions of Insight Exchange across communities, services and systems.

The Board are delighted to be announcing that we are extending the work of DVSM by establishing our Insight Exchange initiative into a distinct foundation. The purpose of this step is to take the Insight Exchange initiative further, building on the careful work and efforts since its inception in November 2017.

To support these changes, we will be moving from one CEO role to two key executive roles. From 17th August, 2020 Sally Grimsley-Ballard will be appointed General Manager to lead DVSM's service provision and Sal Dennis appointed as Director of the Insight Exchange Foundation.

Both portfolios are owned, led and governed by DVSM and will continue to work together to optimise synergies in the work.

The DVSM Board would like to take this opportunity to thank the full DVSM team for the extraordinary work they do day in day out. Every role, every person, every day. Our hope is that this investment to further the support of Services and Insight Exchange will enable us to reach and support more people, even further and in more ways.

We also extend our thanks to funders and donors who continue to invest in the work of our services for communities. Our thanks also extend to the remarkable personal generosity of the silent donor who has seen value in Insight Exchange and continued to ensure the work is sustained and extends further.

Thank you for your commitment to and support of DVSM's work.

Anna Ross
(Chair of DVSM Board)

