1. The Healthy Futures Commission Queensland Bill 2017 provides the legislative framework for the establishment and operation of the Healthy Futures Commission Queensland (the Commission).
2. The overarching purpose of the Commission is to support the capacity of children and families to adopt a healthy lifestyle, with particular focus on reducing health inequity. In doing so, the Commission will focus on two headline measures of success in *My health, Queensland’s future: Advancing health 2026* relating to obesity in children and physical activity:
3. reduce childhood obesity by 10 per cent; and
4. increase levels of adult physical activity for health benefit by 20 per cent.
5. To support the capacity of individuals to adopt a healthy lifestyle, the Commission will lead innovative cross-sectoral collaboration and initiatives to create healthier environments that promote health equity and address the social determinants of health for Queensland children and families.
6. In performing its functions, the Commission will take into account the social determinants of health and their effects on health inequity; and also the views, needs and vulnerabilities of groups of persons experiencing health inequity including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities; culturally and linguistically diverse communities; regional and remote communities; and other communities affected by socioeconomic disadvantage.
7. The Commission will provide grants and sponsorships, and will partner with business, industry and community organisations; academia; and government bodies to create the necessary social conditions and environments to help children and families adopt a healthy lifestyle, with a focus on promoting regular physical activity and healthy eating.
8. The Commission will also consult with Commonwealth, State and local governments and other entities and individuals, in order to extend or improve programs or services relating to healthy eating and physical activity.
9. The Commission will be governed by a board comprising six persons appointed by the Governor in Council, and be staffed by a chief executive officer and up to 15 staff.
10. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Healthy Futures Commission Queensland Bill 2017 into the Legislative Assembly.
11. *Attachments*
* [Healthy Futures Commission Queensland Bill 2017](Attachments/Bill.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.pdf)