

Mental Health Ministers of Western Australia

On the 4 February 2010, Premier Barnett announced the creation of a new department, the Mental Health Commission, to lead mental health reform throughout the State. The Commission became effective on 8 March 2010. The Commission was created initially by transferring existing resources of the Mental Health Division of the Department of Health. Its focus is on mental health strategic policy; planning; procurement and performance monitoring; and evaluation of services.

Ministry	Name	Ministry Title	Assumption of Office Date	Retirement Of Office Date
Barnett (Lib) 2008 - 2013	Hon Dr Graham Gibson Jacobs	Minister for Mental Health	23 Sept 2008	14 Dec 2010
	Hon Helen Margaret Morton MLC	Minister for Mental Health; Disability Services	14 Dec 2010	21 Mar 2013
Barnett (Lib) 2013 - 2017	Hon Helen Margaret Morton MLC	Minister for Mental Health; Disability Services; Child Protection	21 Mar 2013	31 Mar 2016
	Hon Andrea Ruth Mitchell, MLA	Minister for Mental Health; Child Protection	31 Mar 2016	17 Mar 2017
McGowan (ALP) 2017 - 2021	Hon Roger Hugh Cook, MLA	Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Mental Health	17 Mar 2017	13 Mar 2021
McGowan (ALP) 2021	Hon Stephen Noel Dawson, MLA	Minister for Mental Health; Aboriginal Affairs; Industrial Relations	19 Mar 2021	21 Dec 2021
	Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson MLA	Minister for Health; Mental Health	21 Dec 2021	

Abbreviations

ALP	Australian Labor Party
LA	Legislative Assembly
LC	Legislative Council
Lib	Liberal
MLA	Member of the Legislative Assembly
MLC	Member of the Legislative Council

Sources

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