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### **Patrick McClure, Chair, Reference Group on Welfare Reform**

Patrick McClure was CEO of Mission Australia from 1997-2006. During that period the organisation was transformed from a state-based entity to a highly successful international organisation with revenue of \$300 million and 3,000 staff providing employment, training, housing, youth and family services. He was CEO of The Retirement Villages Group within Macquarie Capital Funds (2006-8). He was also CEO of the Society of St Vincent de Paul (NSW/ACT) from 1992-1996.

He recently chaired the Australian Government's Reference Group on Welfare Reform in 2014-15. The Final Report "A New System for Better Employment and Social Outcomes" was launched on February 25, 2015 with Minister Scott Morrison. The report and its recommendations received wide support in the media and community.

He is Director, Governance and Strategy Director at the Institute of Strategic Management since 2009. He is also a Non-Executive Director of the Kinicare Group, the largest, commercial in-home care organisation in Australia. He is a member of the NSW governments' Social Impact Investment Expert Advisory Group.

He was also a member of the Prime Minister's Community-Business Partnership from 1999 to 2007, Commissioner of the Australian Fair Pay Commission and member of the Board for a New Tax System.

He was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in 2003 and awarded an Australian Centennial Medal. He was an AFR – BOSS True Leader in 2005, winner of the Equity Trustee's EQT CEO Award for 'Lifetime Achievement' in 2001 and a Churchill Fellow. He has a bachelor of Social Work (Distinction), masters of Arts in public policy and a diploma of theology.