

## Some services we fund or support

- Persistent Pain Program
- Supporting general practices in quality improvement
- Providing greater choices for palliative care services at home
- Supporting health professionals to use My Health Record
- Improving primary healthcare in aged care facilities
- Supporting immunisation
- Alcohol and other drug treatment services
- Youth, adult and senior mental health services for people with mild, moderate or severe and complex mental illness
- Suicide prevention
- Improving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health
- Supporting cancer screening
- Clinical placements for medical and nursing students

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## Staying in touch with us



### Gold Coast Primary Health Network Website

Information about our services plus resources for health professionals and the community.  
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## Who we are

Gold Coast Primary Health Network (GCPHN) is an independent not-for-profit company and one of 31 PHNs established by the Australian Government, to identify the health needs of local communities and commission and improve primary health services, to keep people well and out of hospital.

## What we do

We play an instrumental role in working with the health sector and local Gold Coast community to improve health services for local residents by:

- Identifying the health needs of local residents and designing solutions to meet those needs. This includes the assessment, planning and establishment of health services.
- Funding health organisations to provide local health services eg. headspace.
- Helping the health system work better together for patients and families. This includes supporting health professionals including GPs, to improve the quality of patient care.

## Supporting General Practice

Gold Coast Primary Health Network works with General Practice, the cornerstone of primary healthcare, to ensure high quality care for Gold Coast residents.

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## Our Strategic Goals

- Improve coordination of care to ensure patients receive the right care, at the right place, at the right time and by the right person.
- Increase efficiency and effectiveness of health services for patients particularly those at risk of poor outcomes.
- Engage and support general practice and other stakeholders to facilitate improvements in our local health system.
- Be a high performing, efficient and accountable organisation.

## GCPHN Board

Gold Coast Primary Health Network (GCPHN) is governed by a diverse skills-based Board, comprised of GPs and broad sector representation. The Board also takes advice from its advisory councils.

## GCPHN Clinical Council

The GCPHN Clinical Council is comprised of health professionals including GPs, allied health professionals and specialists, with considerable experience across the primary care sector. The council ensures that clinical advice is provided to the Board to assist in decision making.

## GCPHN Community Advisory Council

The GCPHN Community Advisory Council has a diverse membership of local residents who provide advice to the Board, to ensure that any services or programs consider the needs of patients, are locally relevant and cost-effective.

## Collaboration

We work with Gold Coast residents, health professionals, organisations and other stakeholders, to inform the decisions we make and the services we fund. This includes Gold Coast Health, hospitals, local, state and federal government agencies, general practices, universities, health consumers and the broader community.



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