Gold Coast - Aged Care 2022/23 - 2024/25 Activity Summary View

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AC-EI - 1 - Commissioning early intervention initiatives to support healthy ageing



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-EI

Activity Number *

1

Activity Title *

Commissioning early intervention initiatives to support healthy ageing

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

Identified need:

- Recommendations from Royal Commission into Aged Care
- Some older Australians are entering aged care earlier than they may otherwise need to due to a lack of support for healthy ageing or ability to manage their chronic conditions in the community
- Locally, the burden of chronic disease is associated with significant health needs. Key local health needs and services issues formally identified in the 2022 GCPHN Needs Assessment submitted to the Department of Health (see section 3.8 Chronic Disease, page 1) include:
- o Limited systems to support care coordination for people with a chronic condition.
- o Minimal focus on prevention, early identification, and self-management of chronic disease.
- o Rate of potentially preventable hospitalisations in the Gold Coast Primary Health Network region is above the national rate, top conditions included:
- o Urinary tract infections
- o Iron deficiency anemia
- o Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- o Cellulitis
- o Vaccine preventable conditions
- Rate of people in the Gold Coast Primary Health Network region with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and asthma above the national rate.

A particular sub-group of the senior population on the Gold Coast experience a greater burden of disease and higher premature entry into residential aged care homes. As identified in the 2022 GCPHN Needs Assessment submitted to the Department of Health and Aged Care (see section 3.11 Older People, page 1) the high prevalence of older people with frailty leads to many complex medical problems and is associated with an increased rate of future falls. Therefore, frailty has been identified as a key group to target for healthy ageing interventions because:

- Both frailty and prefrailty are significant predictors of nursing home placement among community-dwelling older adults.
- Frail older people are highly vulnerable to adverse health outcomes when exposed to an internal or external stressor.
- Many of the causes of frailty can be managed and, in some cases reversed to create better health outcomes and quality of life.

The importance of enabling people to play an active role in their health care was emphasised by the Productivity Commission in their report about Innovations in Care for Chronic Health Conditions. They found that better health outcomes are achieved when health care providers consider people's circumstances and preferences, and people are supported to self-manage their health. This requires delivery of advice and support in formats that are accessible and relevant to the consumer.

Aim:

- Implementation of targeted interventions to prevent, identify and reduce chronic disease and health issues, avoid inappropriate hospital admissions, reduce premature entry into residential aged care and improve health outcomes for the elderly.
- Supporting collaborative approaches between multidisciplinary teams and primary care providers.
- Expanding existing healthy ageing programs where relevant.
- Educating primary health care providers on how to connect senior Australians with necessary psychosocial, health, social and welfare supports.
- Educating family members or carers on how to manage an older person's health.

Description of Activity *

Quality improvement in general practice

- Continue to implement a new model of care with a pilot group of general practices with a focus on frailty screening, to support early intervention activities, increased ability to self-manage conditions, access to services at home
- Increase awareness in the local primary health care workforce of the needs of the local senior Australian population, the availability of healthy ageing programs and initiatives in the Gold Coast community and how to connect senior Australians to necessary psychosocial, health, social and welfare supports.
- Facilitate collaborative approach between multidisciplinary teams and primary care providers
- Implementation of a frailty quality improvement toolkit, action plan exemplar and RACGP approved clinical audit

Commissioning of Healthy Ageing program/s

- Commission new, or expand, existing Healthy ageing programs including consideration to upscale existing activities within the network and stimulate the market through a new provider/alternative model of service provision through supervised students.
- Implement monitoring and evaluation standards and capabilities to ensure that commissioned services are effective and efficient and meet the needs of the community using a patient centered outcomes assessment tool

Health promotion and resource development

- Development of referral pathway resources, and provide education and promotion for health professionals to support navigation and easier access to services available for older people
- Provide resources and education to support family members and carers to improve management of older person's health

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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Priorities

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Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Older People, primary health care providers, community based NGOs and healthy ageing program providers.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

- GCPHN committees:
- o Community Advisory Council (Consumers)
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- General practice teams
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- o Events
- o Data and reporting
- o Digital Health
- o Procurement
- o Other project team/s interacting with RACHs
- Department of Health Aged Care
- o GC Aged Care Regional Stewardship team
- Community NGO aged care service providers

- Gold Coast City Council Healthy ageing programs
- Consumer Peak Bodies

Collaboration

All of the above listed in stakeholder engagement consultation



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/11/2021

Activity End Date

29/06/2024

Service Delivery Start Date

July 2022

Service Delivery End Date

N/A

Other Relevant Milestones

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Activity Commissioning

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Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: No

Direct Engagement: Yes **Open Tender:** No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No



Summary of activity changes for Department

Activity Status

Returned



AC-EI - 2 - Operational - Commissioning early intervention initiatives to support healthy ageing



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-EI

Activity Number *

2

Activity Title *

Operational - Commissioning early intervention initiatives to support healthy ageing

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



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Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

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Activity Demographics

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In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Consultation

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- Consumer Peak Bodies

Collaboration

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Direct Engagement: Yes **Open Tender:** No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity being co-designed?

Yes

Is this activity the result of a previous co-design process?

No

Do you plan to implement this Activity using co-commissioning or joint-commissioning arrangements?

No

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No

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

N/A



Summary of activity changes for Department

Activity Status

Returned



AC-VARACF - 1 - Support RACHs to increase availability and use of telehealth care for aged care residents



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-VARACF

Activity Number *

1

Activity Title *

Support RACHs to increase availability and use of telehealth care for aged care residents

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

Identified need:

- Timely access to primary health care professionals, whether through face-to-face consultation or telehealth, is recognised as an issue for many RACHs, that in some cases can lead to potentially preventable hospitalisations. RACHs require adequate telehealth facilities to support access to virtual consultations for their residents
- Recommendations from Royal Commission into Aged Care

Aim:

- Participating RACHs have access to appropriate telehealth facilities and equipment to enable their residents to virtually consult, when needed, with their primary health care professionals, specialists and other clinicians. The facilities and equipment provided should be compatible with most existing virtual consult technology used by providers in GCPHN region and complies with recognised telehealth standards.
- Participating RACH staff are appropriately trained to build their capability to enhance access to virtual consultations for their residents
- Primary care providers who service RACHs are provided education and training opportunities to ensure residents usual providers have knowledge and capabilities to support quality virtual care.
- RACHs are encouraged to increase their use of My Health Record, to improve the availability and secure transfer of resident's health care information between RACH, primary care and acute care settings.

Description of Activity *

Telehealth education and training – RACHs and Primary Care Providers who service RACHs

- Engagement and consulation with RACH staff and primary care providers who service residents in RACHs in the development of appropriate training and education solutions that will support high quality virtual care.
- Support the development, promotion and implementation of national standardised PHN telehealth online learning platform for residential aged care.
- Contract suitable provider to deliver/facilitate local education and training workshop events for RACH staff and primary care providers in clinical tools and skills required to support high quality virtual care in residential aged care setting.
- Promote learning opportunities for RACHs relating to My Health Record, and encourage use

Grant program – RACH telehealth equipment and technology

- Support and engage with RACHs to finalise grant acquittal requirements
- Evaluation of pre/post baseline surveys from RACH to assess change in use of technology and staff capabilities to support high quality virtual care

Broad stakeholder engagement with:

- GCPHN's key advisory groups (i.e. Consumer Advisory Council, Primary Health Care Improvement Committee, Clinical Council and Primary Care Partnership Council)
- RACHs (approach will be to engage executive level support where possible)
- General practice (in particular those that provide services to RACHs residents)
- PHNs in QLD and nationally where appropriate to ensure synergies of scale in shared learning and project development activities
- Relevant peak bodies (including consumer advocacy groups)
- Gold Coast Health
- Australian Digital Health Agency

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Residents living in RACHs; staff working in RACHs; primary care providers who support residents in RACHs

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Consultation

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- o Primary Health Care Improvement Committee (general practitioners, practice managers, practice nurses, allied health provider)
- o Aged and Palliative Care Leadership Group (consumers {including CALD community}, general practitioners, QLD Health and NGO representatives)
- Gold Coast Health Aged Care Service providers, SPACE project team and Digital Health

transformation team

- Wound Management Pilot in RACHs Service provider for project
- Australian Digital Health Agency
- Other PHNs
- o QLD Aged Care Collaborative
- RACH executives and staff
- GCPHN internal teams:
- o Communications
- o Events
- o Data and reporting
- o Digital Health
- o Procurement
- o Other project team/s interacting with RACHs
- Department of Health Aged Care
- o GC Aged Care Regional Stewardship team
- Consumer Peak Bodies

Collaboration

All of the above listed in stakeholder engagement consultation



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/11/2021

Activity End Date

29/06/2024

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones

Project monitoring and control – Local education and training workshop, launch of national PHN online learning telehealth platform for RACHs, monthly and quarterly reports, participation in any evaluation activities – July 2023 to March 2024.

Project closure - Project completion report, policy and procedure manual for telehealth and MHR use in RACHs - April to June 2024



Activity Commissioning

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Not Yet Known: Yes

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: No

Direct Engagement: No **Open Tender:** No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

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No

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

It is proposed that GCPHN will work collaboratively with QLD PHNs to design and commission identified requirements to support project implementation.

GCPHN will work with Tasmania and Victorian PHNs to develop and implement the National training platform for RACH staff.



Summary of activity changes for Department

Activity Status

Returned



AC-VARACF - 2 - Operational-Support RACHs to increase availability & use of telehealth care for aged care residents



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-VARACF

Activity Number *

2

Activity Title *

Operational-Support RACHs to increase availability & use of telehealth care for aged care residents

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

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Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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Target Population Cohort

Residents living in RACHs; staff working in RACHs; primary care providers who support residents in RACHs

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Consultation

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- o Digital Health
- o Procurement

- o Other project team/s interacting with RACHs
- Department of Health Aged Care
- o GC Aged Care Regional Stewardship team
- Consumer Peak Bodies

Collaboration

All of the above listed in stakeholder engagement consultation



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

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30/11/2021

Activity End Date

29/06/2024

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Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: No

Direct Engagement: No **Open Tender:** No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

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Decommissioning

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N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

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Activity Status

Returned



AC-AHARACF - 1 - Enhanced out of hours residential aged care



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-AHARACF

Activity Number *

1

Activity Title *

Enhanced out of hours residential aged care

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

Identified need:

- RACH residents can experience deterioration in their health during the after-hours period, but immediate transfer to hospital is not always clinically necessary. Lack of awareness and utilisation of out of hours services provided by GPs and other health professionals, including Gold Coast Health services, leads residents to unnecessary hospital presentations. RACH staff confidence and experience is often lower in after hours period.
- Recommendations from Royal Commission into Aged Care

Aim:

Participating RACHs:

o will be able to develop, maintain and implement after-hours processes and management plans, in line with residents' wishes

o will be aware of after-hours health care options and referral pathways and utilise these when appropriate

o will develop and embed procedures to ensure residents' digital medical records are kept up to date, particularly where an after-hours episode of care occurs to support appropriate clinical handover and continuity of care

o will work collaboratively with their resident's GPs, and other health care professionals, to develop/review and update after-hours action plans as required

Description of Activity *

In partnership with Gold Coast Health Residential Aged Care Support Service

- Identify RACHs who have higher rates of ED transfer in after-hours space and engage with these facilities to encourage participation in activity
- Assess participating RACH staff baseline level of knowledge of after-hours care options and current management plan development status
- Engagement with participating RACHs, after hours service providers, and other key stakeholders to support project activities and enhance after hours processes
- Scope availability of appropriate after- hours management plan resources, templates and organisational procedures, to embed and sustain this process
- Identify enablers and barriers to develop after-hours management plans and potential solutions
- Provide education and training opportunities through one-on-one mentoring and/or group workshops to increase RACH capability in navigating after-hours care options and management.
- Support the development of best practice after-hours management plan/processes template as a legacy of this project
- Promote completion of Advance Care Plans for all residents of RACHs, and ensure they are uploaded and accessible via The Viewer.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Residents living in RACHs; staff working in RACHs, general practitioners, after hours service providers, Gold Coast Health, Queensland Ambulance Service

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



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- o GC Aged Care Regional Stewardship team
- Consumers and relevant Peak Bodies
- General practices/practitioners that service RACH residents
- Queensland Ambulance
- After Hours medical service providers

Collaboration

All of the above listed in stakeholder engagement consultation



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/11/2021

Activity End Date

29/06/2024

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones

Monthly and quarterly reports, development of best practice after hours care plan template and resources, participation in any evaluation activities for RACH pre/post participation – July 2023 to June 2024

Project completion report on Enhance out of hours residential aged care - April to June 2024



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Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

N/A



Summary of activity changes for Department

Activity Status

Returned



AC-CF - 1 - Care Finder Program



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-CF

Activity Number *

1

Activity Title *

Care Finder Program

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

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Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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Priorities

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Chronic Disease	262
Mental health - underserviced population groups	425
Older People	87

Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

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In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Consultation

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Collaboration

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Activity Milestone Details/Duration

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30/06/2022

Activity End Date

29/09/2025

Service Delivery Start Date

01/01/2023

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Other Relevant Milestones

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Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: No

Direct Engagement: Yes **Open Tender:** Yes

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

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No

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No

Has this activity previously been co-commissioned or joint-commissioned?

No

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments



Summary of activity changes for Department

Activity Status

Returned



AC-AHARACF - 2 - Operational - Enhanced out of hours residential aged care



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-AHARACF

Activity Number *

2

Activity Title *

Operational - Enhanced out of hours residential aged care

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

Identified need:

- RACH residents can experience deterioration in their health during the after-hours period, but immediate transfer to hospital is not always clinically necessary. Lack of awareness and utilisation of out of hours services provided by GPs and other health professionals, including Gold Coast Health services, leads residents to unnecessary hospital presentations. RACH staff confidence and experience is often lower in after hours period.
- Recommendations from Royal Commission into Aged Care

Aim:

Participating RACHs:

o will be able to develop, maintain and implement after-hours processes and management plans, in line with residents' wishes

o will be aware of after-hours health care options and referral pathways and utilise these when appropriate

o will develop and embed procedures to ensure residents' digital medical records are kept up to date, particularly where an after-hours episode of care occurs to support appropriate clinical handover and continuity of care

o will work collaboratively with their resident's GPs, and other health care professionals, to develop/review and update after-hours action plans as required

Description of Activity *

In partnership with Gold Coast Health Residential Aged Care Support Service

- Identify RACHs who have higher rates of ED transfer in after-hours space and engage with these facilities to encourage participation in activity
- Assess participating RACH staff baseline level of knowledge of after-hours care options and current management plan development status
- Engagement with participating RACHs, after hours service providers, and other key stakeholders to support project activities and enhance after hours processes
- Scope availability of appropriate after-hours management plan resources, templates and organisational procedures, to embed and sustain this process
- Identify enablers and barriers to develop after-hours management plans and potential solutions
- Provide education and training opportunities through one-on-one mentoring and/or group workshops to increase RACH capability in navigating after-hours care options and management.
- Support the development of best practice after-hours management plan/processes template as a legacy of this project
- Promote completion of Advance Care Plans for all residents of RACHs, and ensure they are uploaded and accessible via The Viewer.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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Priorities

Priority	Page reference
After hours	156
Older People	87



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Residents living in RACHs; staff working in RACHs, general practitioners, after hours service providers, Gold Coast Health, Queensland Ambulance Service

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Consultation

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- Gold Coast Health Aged Care Service providers, SPACE project team and Digital Health transformation team
- Australian Digital Health Agency
- Other PHNs
- o QLD Aged Care Collaborative
- RACH executives and staff
- GCPHN internal teams:
- o Communications
- o Events
- o Data and reporting
- o Digital Health
- o Procurement
- o Other project team/s interacting with RACHs
- Department of Health Aged Care
- o GC Aged Care Regional Stewardship team
- Consumers and relevant Peak Bodies
- General practices/practitioners that service RACH residents
- Queensland Ambulance
- After Hours medical service providers

Collaboration

All of the above listed in stakeholder engagement consultation



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/11/2021

Activity End Date

29/06/2024

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones

Monthly and quarterly reports, development of best practice after hours care plan template and resources, participation in any evaluation activities for RACH pre/post participation – July 2023 to June 2024

Project completion report on Enhance out of hours residential aged care - April to June 2024



Activity Commissioning

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Direct Engagement: No **Open Tender:** No

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Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

N/A



Summary of activity changes for Department

Activity Status

Returned



AC-CF - 2 - Care Finder ACH Transition



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-CF

Activity Number *

2

Activity Title *

Care Finder ACH Transition

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

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Needs Assessment

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In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

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Coverage

Whole Region

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Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments



Summary of activity changes for Department

Activity Status

Returned



AC-CF - 3 - Operational - Care Finder Program



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Aged Care

Activity Prefix *

AC-CF

Activity Number *

3

Activity Title *

Operational - Care Finder Program

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Aged Care

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

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Needs Assessment

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In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

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Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments



Summary of activity changes for Department

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