

# Primary Care - How are PHN's different?

Andrew Hanson

General Manager Workforce Development

August 2017

# About PHN's

- What are they and what do they do?
- How to engage/contact?
- What is Commissioning?
- How are PHN's involved in Chronic Disease Management?

# About PHNs

- 31 Primary Health Networks (PHNs) were established on 1 July 2015.
- PHNs were designed to:
  1. Increase efficiency and effectiveness of medical services for patients, particularly those at risk of poor health outcomes; and
  2. Improve coordination of care to ensure patients receive the right care, in the right place, at the right time.
- PHNs are assessed on the following national performance indicators:
  - Reduced potentially preventable hospitalisation;
  - Increased childhood immunisation rates;
  - Increased cancer screening rates (cervical, breast, bowel); and
  - Increased mental health treatment rates (including for children and adolescents).

# What do PHN's do?

- Distribute government funding in programs designed to meet our strategic goals.
- Work with providers to support them in improving systems and processes to enable better health outcomes.

# Which is my PHN?



# What is Your PHN up to?

- Eastern Melbourne - [www.emphn.org.au](http://www.emphn.org.au)
- South Eastern Melbourne - [www.semphn.org.au](http://www.semphn.org.au)
- North Western Melbourne - [www.nwmphn.org.au](http://www.nwmphn.org.au)
- Murray - [www.murrayphn.org.au](http://www.murrayphn.org.au)
- Gippsland - [www.gphn.org.au](http://www.gphn.org.au)
- Western Victoria - [www.westvicphn.org.au](http://www.westvicphn.org.au)

# About SEMPHN

- A diverse population of 1.4 million people
- 3,000km<sup>2</sup> area stretching along the eastern seaboard of Port Phillip Bay from Port Melbourne to Sorrento.
- Committed to making local health care even better by:
  - improving access to existing services through better collaboration and coordination;
  - commissioning new services to better meet the needs our community; and
  - supporting clinicians to innovate and further improve services locally.

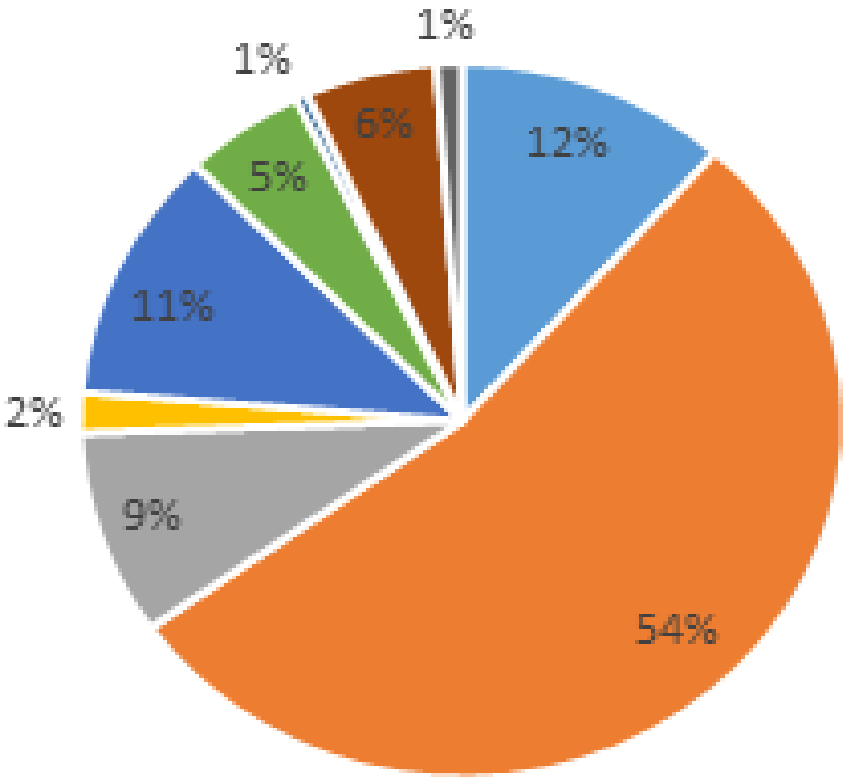


# What does **SEMPHN** do?

- Mental Health
- AOD
- Chronic Disease
- GP's in Schools
- Immunisation
- Cancer Screening
- Digital Health
- Integrated Team Care



# SEMPHN ALL PROGRAMS 2017-18 (Approx. \$46 mill)

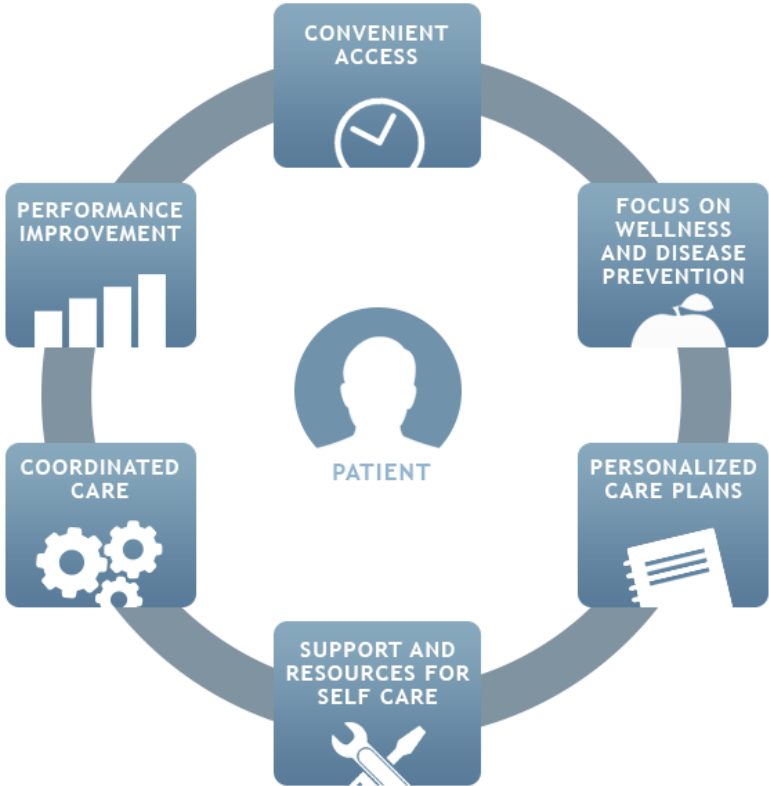


Flex Mental Health AOD ITC PIR AH Innovation SECADA SCC/AMS/A4 Pharma

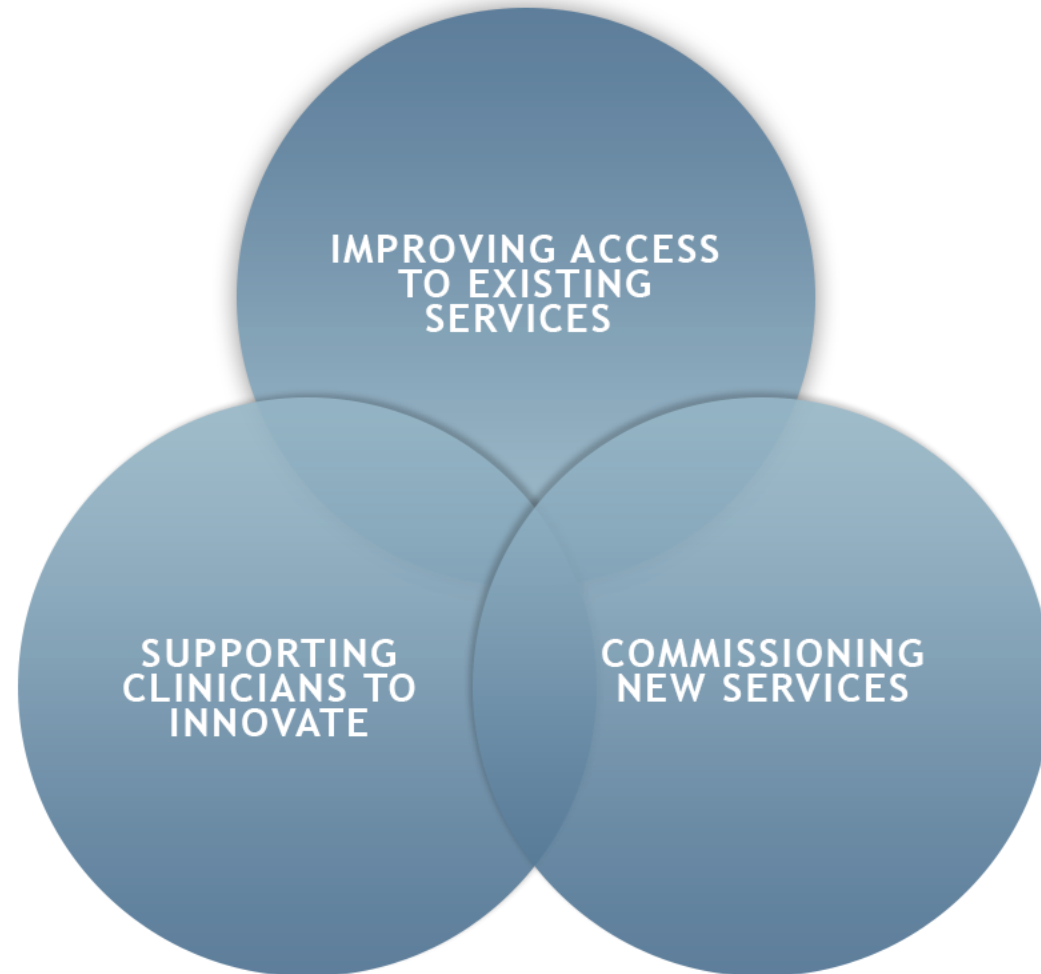
# Primary health is changing



# Keeping patient at the centre



# Our aim: even better local health care

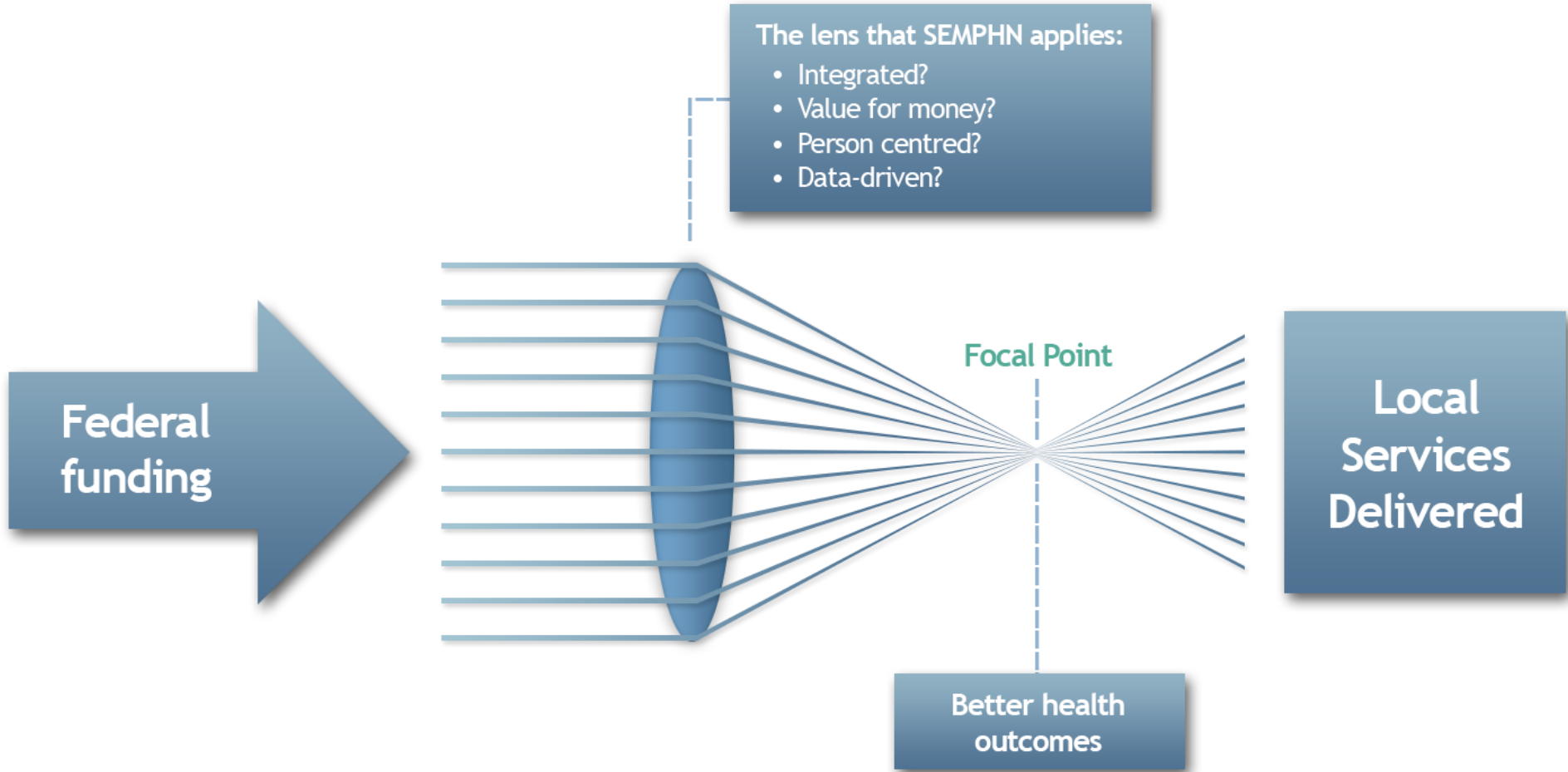


# Commissioning

Commissioning is a continuous process that requires SEMPHN to be responsible for:

- Strategic planning
- Service procurement
- Monitoring and review

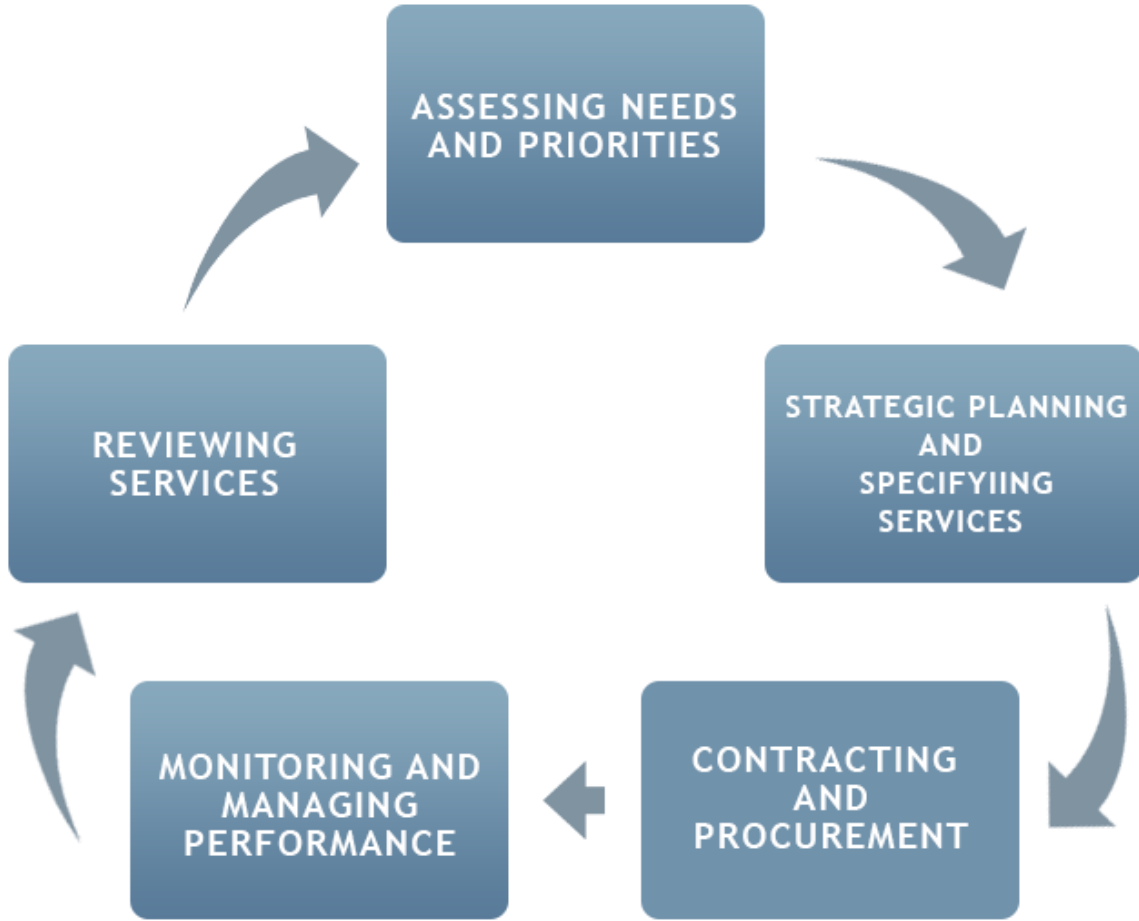
# Our role in commissioning



# Commissioning principles

- Consumer-driven choice
- Social model of health
- Agile and responsive
- Data-informed practice
- Open data and transparency
- Long-term sustainability

# Commissioning process





# What this might mean for you?

- Greater involvement with other health providers in our area
- More formal co-ordination/collaboration to design ‘bundled services’
- Better understanding of your business model/costs
- Different approach to clinical guidelines/patient record-keeping to enable collaboration and integration of services
- Investment in training and systems (digital health)

# PHNs and Chronic Disease

- Activities determined by individual PHNs
- Aims and outcomes must be consistent with PHN goals
- What does SEMPHN do?

# Our changing landscape

- Multi-morbidity is the new normal in CDM (Chronic Disease Management)
- CDM has steadily become a large part of general practice workload
- Current structures do not always encourage a best practice response to CDM
- Improving the quality of primary health care is of interest to every general practice...and most importantly, will benefit patients, their families and the community

# Chronic Disease Management

- Improve care coordination including regular clinical contact, care plans, medication review, and self management, symptom management
- Integrated care and patient information sharing between health sectors and clear referral pathways
- Improve health literacy and patient ability to access appropriate care and support
- Target areas with high prevalence and PPH

# Chronic Disease Management

- Support for General Practice to identify priority population groups and patients with poorly managed chronic conditions
- High correlation between risk factors for chronic disease and prevalence indicating a need for increased targeted preventative health initiatives for populations with high rates of associated risk
- Quantify rates of comorbidity and multi-morbidity within the catchment and patients with complex care needs

# Chronic Disease - Outcomes framework for SEMPHN

## Outcomes

Outcome 1: Uptake of healthy behaviours

Outcome 2: Access to chronic disease management services

Outcome 3: High quality and appropriate chronic disease management services

Outcome 4: Sector capacity to manage chronic disease and complex care

# What SEMPHN is doing

- Health Care Homes
- Hospital Auspiced Community Health Service
- General Practice capacity building
- Priority Population Groups

# Health Care Homes

- **Key objective:** Patient-centred care based around the patient's needs and preferences
- 23 practices in SE Melbourne
- Capitated funding depending on level of care required + fee-for service for episodes of care not related to a patient's chronic conditions
- Patients enrolled will not be able to go to any other practice for their CD care



# Hospital Auspiced Community Health Services

- Support for managing patients post discharge
- New interventions for post acute services and/or community
- Acute and chronic conditions
- Reduce gaps in treatment
- Improved primary care access particularly after hours
- Improve links between hospitals and primary care providers

# General Practice Capacity Building

- Defined what a practice providing “good” coordinated care looks like
- Self assessment part of application process
- Grants targeted practices which do not consider that their coordinated care processes are optimal

# Priority Population Groups

- Practices which have a well developed care coordination model for patients with complex health needs
- Expand their model to specific priority population groups within the south eastern Melbourne region
- Potentially partner with organisations who can access these groups

# Priority Population Groups

<p><b>Specific demographic factors</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Older people (65+)</li> <li>• Humanitarian arrivals (refugee and asylum seekers)</li> <li>• Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people</li> <li>• Culturally and linguistically diverse communities</li> <li>• Individuals currently experiencing homelessness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategies must improve the care of <u>at least two</u> of these groups.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Condition type</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COPD</li> <li>• congestive heart failure</li> <li>• moderate to severe diabetes</li> <li>• angina</li> <li>• asthma</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• These are the most common of the chronic diseases in the region.</li> </ul>

# Reporting and Evaluation

The purpose of reporting are multifold:

- Monitoring the process and progress of commissioned activities
- Evaluation of activities to inform the commissioning cycle
- Learning lessons and sharing our successes

# How else to interact with PHN's

- Practice networks
- Education and training events
- Information sessions
- Consultation forums