

HEALTH NETWORKS QUARTERLY REPORT OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2017

CONNECT



42

Number of articles in the WA Health Networks Bulletin (1)



27

Number of people who attended the Disability Health Network Event: International Day of People with Disability (2)



Health Networks is supporting engagement processes for the Sustainable Health Review (3)

SHARE



21

Number of people who attended the Engagement Workshop Series Session 5: Engagement Suite 101 (4)



365

Number of page views to the Department of Health Lessons of Location report (5)



6

Number of infographics developed for the Disability Health Network Toolkit for Change (6)

IMPROVE



122

Number of young people who attended Community Conversations to inform the development of the Draft WA Youth Health Policy 2018-2023, and

179

Number of responses received via an online consultation of the draft Policy (7)



15

Number of people who attended the Cultivating Leadership Program (8)



14

Number of pathways open for consultation to obtain expert input (9)

NOTES:

- (1) The WA Health Networks Bulletin is distributed fortnightly to members on the Health Networks Database. The Bulletin provides Network updates, invitations to events, consultation opportunities and information about areas of interest.
- (2) The Disability Health Network launched the WA Disability Health Framework 2015-2020 animation, coinciding with International Day of People with Disability on 3 December 2017. The animation, created in partnership with Medical Illustrations at Royal Perth Hospital, aims to educate health staff regarding how to work with people with disability and raise awareness of the Framework as an integral tool to support service planning and delivery.

The link for the animation is available from:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Otcacj-ykDw&feature=youtu.be>

- (3) The Sustainable Health Review aims to prioritise the delivery of patient-centred, high quality and financially sustainable healthcare across the State. There has been an extensive consultation program with a wide range of stakeholders including patients and carers, clinicians, community members, non-government organisations, peak bodies and private industry. More than 300 public submissions have been received that share insights on developing a sustainable future for the WA Health system.
- (4) The Engagement Workshop Series Session 5: Engagement Suite 101 was held on Wednesday, 6 December 2017. The workshop provided an opportunity to learn how to use the Department of Health Engagement Suite and network with others across health who are interested in engagement.

For more information or a copy of the Engagement Suite, email Health Networks on healthpolicy@health.wa.gov.au.

- (5) Health Networks and Epidemiology, Department of Health, along with the WA Primary Health Alliance (WAPHA) have collaborated to develop the *Lessons of Location: Potentially Preventable Hospitalisations Hotspots in Western Australia* report. The report identifies areas of higher-than-average hospitalisation rates. Health planners and policy makers can use these findings to plan effective primary health care interventions to reduce potentially preventable hospitalisations.

The report can be accessed from:

http://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/~/_/media/Files/Corporate/Reports%20and%20publications/Lessons-of-Location/Lessons-of-Location-2017.pdf

- (6) The Disability Health Network has developed a series of 6 infographics for the Toolkit for Change to promote inclusive health services across the WA health system. These are:
 - i. Celebrating Five Years of the Disability Health Network
 - ii. WA Disability Health Framework Snapshot
 - iii. Commitment to Inclusive Engagement Snapshot
 - iv. Health Disparities for People with Disability
 - v. Core Capabilities Resource Snapshot
 - vi. Hospital Stay Guidelines Snapshot

The infographics are available from:

http://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/A_E/Disability-Health-Network-Toolkit-for-Change

- (7) As part of the consultation activities to inform the development of the WA Youth Health Policy 2018-2023, seven Community Conversations were held across WA. The Community Conversations provided an opportunity for young people to have a say about their health and wellbeing needs. A total of 122 young people in WA participated in these events. In addition, the WA Child and Youth Health Network invited everyone interested in youth health in WA to participate in an online consultation on the draft WA Youth Health Policy 2018-2023. A total of 179 responses were received.
- (8) The Cultivating Leadership Program is designed specifically for Health Networks to explore participants' leadership strengths. The Program promotes the skills and tools required to further influence, lead and inspire system-wide improvement. The Institute for Health Leadership has partnered with Health Networks Directorate to deliver this program through the Australian Institute of Management.
- (9) HealthPathways WA is a web-based portal with information on assessment, referral and management pathways helping clinicians to navigate through the complex primary, community and acute health care system in Western Australia.

The WA health system in partnership with the WA Primary Health Alliance (WAPHA) ensures pathways are developed and customised for WA, with the key focus of improving integration between primary, secondary and tertiary care. Health Networks has a key role in the consultation of these pathways.

In this reporting period, input and feedback from experts was sought, via online consultation, for the following pathways:

Assault or Abuse

- Domestic and Family Violence

Cardiology

- Hypertension
- Hyperlipidaemia

Child Health

- Developmental Concerns in Children
- Milestones / Developmental Delay

Gastroenterology

- Fatty Liver

Gynaecology

- Female Genital Cutting/Mutilation (FGC/M)

Infectious Diseases

- Influenza Infection and Control

Lifestyle

- Low FODMAP Diet
- Physical Activity - Adults

Mental Health

- Alcohol Intervention

Ophthalmology

- Herpes Zoster Ophthalmicus

Pain Management

- Medications in Chronic Pain

Respiratory

- Legionnaires' Disease