Aged care network

Model of care for the older person in Western Australia
“Independence, well-being and quality of life for each older person in Western Australia through responsive health and aged care services and supports across the continuum of care.”
Executive summary

The Model of Care for the Older Person has been developed by the Aged Care Network\(^1\) in response to the broad policy direction of the Health Policy and Clinical Reform Division and WA Health Networks to develop integrated health care policy across Western Australia for diseases, conditions or population groups.

In line with the ongoing reform agenda occurring across the WA health system, WA Health Networks identified the need to provide “a structure for outlining system change and redesign that incorporates the shared principles originally outlined in A Healthy Future for Western Australians: Report of the Health Reform Committee”\(^2\). The model of care approach developed by WA Health Networks has provided the framework to assist in completing this task.

This document describes the broad policy approaches for the Model of Care for the Older Person that relates to the continuum of care service delivery for older persons across the WA Health system and beyond. It will serve to inform the development of the specific models of care at the service model and local implementation levels that have been prescribed as the next stages in the document Models of Care: Scoping Document\(^3\).

The conceptual and strategic framework of the State Aged Care Plan for Western Australia 2003-2008\(^4\) has guided the work of the Aged Care Network since its inception in February 2006. The Model of Care for the Older Person is therefore founded on these frameworks. The model is cognisant of the stages in the ageing process and the unique challenges presented in the delivery of services to an ageing population.

The Model of Care for the Older Person focuses on the need to promote independence, well-being and quality of life for older people with a greater emphasis on prevention and promotion programs that encourage self management of health conditions. It focuses on the need for the health system to concentrate on service delivery that is more cost-effective, less hospital centric and more orientated to the care needs of the older person. Improved coordination and communication processes are central to this approach.

It also relies heavily on a partnership approach for the delivery of services to the aged population across the continuum of care that spans the primary, community, acute and residential aged care sectors. Most importantly, it addresses the challenges that lie at the interface between the sectors and calls upon those involved in the delivery of health and related aged care service to recognise and deliver on these challenges.

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\(^1\) The membership of the Aged Care Network is outlined in Appendix One.


\(^3\) Models of Care: Scoping Document Department of Health. 2006.


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**Note:** The supporting information that illustrates the current service provision environment and supports the findings regarding the Model of Care for the Older Person is contained in Appendix Three. Appendix Three is listed on the Aged Care Network website.

Please visit the Aged Care Network at the following address:  
1. Model of care overview

This document is the required first stage for the development of the Model of Care for the Older Person.\(^5\)

It has been developed by the Aged Care Network and outlines the recommended policy approaches that will serve to inform Area Health Services and other key stakeholders about the way in which services can be delivered to the older population across the continuum of care and serves as an underlying framework for a Model of Care for the older population in Western Australia.

The policy approach for the Model of Care for the Older Person is based on the following:

- application of the ageing perspective to a population based model of care to inform planning needs\(^6\)
- the delivery of health care and support services to the older person spanning the entire continuum of care across primary care, acute care, community care and aged care sectors
- adoption of a wellness and self-management approach across the continuum
- policy approaches need to focus not only on the addition of new services, but also on the improvement of existing processes within the system that result in more effective management of the flow of patients across the continuum of care and
- the different jurisdictional responsibilities for the funding of health and support services for the older person is reflected in a multi-faceted policy approach.

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\(^5\) See Appendix Two.

\(^6\) This paper has focused on applying an ageing perspective to the development of a population based model of care for the older population cohort as they move through the three phases of ageing. Three phases have been described; “entering older age”, the transitional phase” and the “frail aged” stage.
2. Model of care - key points

The key points are:

- emphasis on current challenges across WA Health arising from an older person’s movement between the many interfaces along the continuum of care
- focus on effective management of older patients in an emergency department
- integration of chronic disease management principles of early detection and self-management in service delivery models
- strengthening of services at the primary care level for older people that target health promotion and prevention and self-management strategies
- development of clinical service delivery models of care that are specific to the ageing process
- integrated approach to the assessment process of an older person at all stages along the continuum of care and
- focus on model of care service delivery for the provision of community care services from one of dependency to one of capacity building for the older person that encourages independence and self-management

The model of care is intended to achieve the following objective:

“Ensuring people get the right care, at the right time, by the right team and in the right place.”
3. Delivery of services to the older population—drivers for change

Demographic ageing of the population, an increase in conditions and diseases associated with the ageing process and the rise in chronic disease prevalence levels will place significant pressure on the WA Health system into the future.

Declining mortality rates leading to higher life expectancies and overall declining fertility rates are contributing to the overall ageing of the population. The continued growth in the proportion of those aged 65+ will further increase after 2010 with the entry of the baby boomer generation into the 65+ age bracket. Added to this demographic trend is the predicted trebling of the proportion of over 80 year olds in the next 40 years with the proportion increasing from 1.7% in 2007 to 5.6% in 2047. Life expectancy of an indigenous person is 20 years less than that of a non-indigenous person, with the onset of conditions associated with ageing and/or chronic disease commencing from 45 years.7,8

In Western Australia, demand for acute hospital services by the older population is significant. Analysis of the WA Health Hospital Morbidity System indicates the following:

- In 2006, the average age of a person in the over 65+ age group was 76 years
- The number of admitted inpatient episodes for the 65+ age group had increased from 116,138 episodes in 2000-2001 to 145,751 episodes in 2005-2006
- In 2005-2006 the percentage of inpatient hospital separations had increased to 32%, compared with 24.5% of total inpatient separations in 1996 for the 65+ age group
- Expenditure on inpatient admitted health care services for the 65+ age group comprised 38% of total inpatient admitted expenditure across the WA public hospital system in 2005-2006.9

Chronic disease prevalence is rising in Australia. Chronic disease is estimated to be responsible for 80% of the total burden of disease as measured in disability life adjusted years. Diseases that become chronic in nature can occur across the life cycle but become more prevalent with older age, particularly the frail aged. It is associated with high health care expenditure and in 2000-2001, accounted for $34 billion, or 70% of allocated health expenditure.10

The implications of these drivers for WA Health will be a marked increase in the demand for health and aged care services spanning the entire continuum of care. There will be an increase in the numbers of older people with a range of complex conditions associated with the symptoms of chronic disease. They may have a carer, and conditions associated with the ageing process such as dementia, incontinence or limited vision will also impact on their health and well-being.

Conflicting jurisdictional funding responsibilities between the Australian and State Governments has created a complex mosaic of services and difficulties across the health and aged care sector in terms of the funding, administration and delivery of services across the continuum of care.

8 There are also some groups within the population in WA that experience the premature onset of health conditions associated with the ageing process. This also impacts on the demand for health and support services across the WA Health system.
An extensive outline of the types of services that an older person accesses as they move along the continuum of care, identification of pressure points together with quantitative data that illustrates current service provision models are contained in the Discussion Paper: Model of Care for the Older Person in Western Australia (Appendix Three).

The broad policy direction adopted by WA Health to develop “Models of Care” presents a valuable and timely opportunity to meet the challenges that lie ahead and promote appropriate and cost effective models of care for the older person.

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4. Model of care for the older person in Western Australia

The following section outlines a model of care that incorporates recommended policy approaches and identifies where service models can be developed at the local area health service level to reflect these approaches.

4.1 Objectives of the model

The overall objectives are to:

- extend the period in which people are well aged
- compress the periods in which people transition to ill-health and become frail and increasingly dependent on care
- promote services and programs that keep people out of hospitals and shift the balance of care to the community
- deliver services that are integrated across the continuum of care and promote smooth transitions between the interfaces in different care settings
- reduce dependency on the health and aged sector over the long term and
- promote cost-effective outcomes for WA Health.

4.2 Objectives for each phase of ageing

Entering older age

The goal for public health policy in this early phase of the ageing process is to promote and extend the period in which people are healthy, well and lead active, fulfilling lives.

A window of opportunity is present in this phase for health service providers to capitalise on the high levels of independence, optimism and mobility that are characteristic of this population and introduce a range of health promotion and prevention strategies that maintain and extend the healthy ageing process well into later years. The delivery of programs and services should be targeted at the primary care sector.

Transitional Stage

For those older people who are in the transitional phase where they experience the first stages of the onset of ill-health, the goal is to provide programs and services that identify emerging health problems early and encourage the development of self-management skills to effectively manage the symptoms of the health conditions they may have. The delivery of programs and services that promote these skills should also be targeted at the primary care sector.

Community care support services introduced should focus on encouraging older people to focus on their capacity to perform activities of daily living to optimise and maintain their functional and psychosocial independence and play a key role in allowing people to live independently in the community. The goal is also to provide services that are flexible to meet a range of fluctuating care needs during this transitional phase.
Frail Aged Stage

Older people, who have become physically and/or mentally frail, require a higher intensity and greater range of health and aged care services. The goal is to provide flexible services that meet the complex care needs that can often involve physical, mental and social care factors. A multi-disciplinary approach that involves comprehensive assessments for the management of older patients with complex care needs in the acute care setting is important. A strong emphasis on supporting the role of the carer as part of the health care team, both within in the acute and community care setting is vital.
Figure One: Objectives for a future model of care for older people

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Move towards alternative model of care

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5.1 Principles and values of the model of care for the older person

Vision statement

- “Independence, well-being and quality of life for older people in Western Australia through responsive health and aged care services and supports across the continuum of care”

Value statement

- aged care is about the person and their carer and is built on participation and respect
- aged care is positive and enabling with service delivery based on flexibility and choice
- equity and inclusion are fundamental and
- quality systems are fundamental

Age-friendly principles and practices - managing older people in the health service environment

- health treatment and care delivered to older people will be based on strong evidence and have a focus on maintaining, improving and preventing deterioration in their health and quality of life
- health services will recognize and address older people’s complex needs.
- health treatment and care are respectful and recognize individual differences and specific needs, such as cultural, religious and sexual differences
- health treatment and care are delivered in a coordinated and timely manner across care settings
- unnecessary admission to hospital and extended hospital stays of the frail elderly are avoided
- the care of older people is a primary focus for all health services
- services and supports developed for carers are flexible and responsive
- where safe and cost-effective to do so, older people receive health treatment and care in a setting that best meets their needs and preferences.

5.2 Key focus areas of the model of care for the older person

The key focus areas of the Model of Care for the Older Person are:

- change in the model of service delivery for the provision of community care services from one of dependency to one of capacity building for the older person and the carer where appropriate

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concentration on integration between interfaces along the continuum of care arising from an older person's movement between:
- primary care and acute care
- primary care and community care
- emergency department and in-patient acute care and
- acute care and residential care

- improvement in access to GP support services in the primary care sector
- introduction of geriatric expertise to the management of patients in emergency departments
- integration of chronic disease management principles of early detection and self-management in service delivery models
- development of clinical service delivery models that are specific to the ageing process
- integrated approach to the assessment process of older persons at all stages along the continuum of care and
- support for carers and recognition of their role as a partner in the care planning process as an older person moves along the continuum of care.

Table One outlines the overall policy approach recommended by the Aged Care Network for the proposed “Model of Care for the Older Person” in order to promote system change across WA Health and achieve more effective care outcomes for older people.

The capacity to manage the difference in jurisdictional funding responsibilities will play a key role in the successful implementation of new policies and programs that promote greater efficiencies, integration and continuity of care for the older person.

Where the Aged Care Network is able to directly implement the policy approaches either on a sole basis or in conjunction with the Australian Government, this is indicated by shading.

The Aged Care Network will be required to collaborate with other Health Networks that incorporate chronic disease models of care.
### 5.3 Policy level model of care for the older person

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<td>2.1 State Government Health Promotion and Prevention Policy</td>
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<td>Population based screening campaigns - Well aged specific</td>
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<td>Focus on risk screening initiatives that are Medicare bulk-billed</td>
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<td><strong>Transitional Stage</strong></td>
<td>3.1 State Government Adoption of overarching Age-Friendly Principles and Practices developed of Care of the Older Australian Working Group (COAWG).</td>
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<td>3.2 State/Australian</td>
<td>Adoption of National Action Plan (NAP) for improving the care of older people across the acute-aged care continuum</td>
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| 3.4      | State Government/ Australian Government | Promotion of a consistent and coordinated policy approach to the assessment of an older person across the continuum of care through the adoption and implementation across the WA Health system of Council of Australian Government (COAG) policy approaches and initiatives of:  
- COAG HACC/Regional Access Networks  
- COAG Aged Care Assessment Program  
- COAG Long Stay Older Patients | Community care/Acute care/Residential aged care sector                                                                                                                     |
| 3.5      | State Government/ Australian Government | Strengthening of assessment processes for the provision of community care services:  
- eligibility and determination of need for services through a generic referral instrument and revised assessment tool  
- strengthening of communication systems and processes that manage the access to the community care system through the establishment of Regional Access Networks.  
- determination of level of assessment required and need for referral to other appropriate services | Community care                                                                                                                                                             |
| 3.6      | State Government/ Australian Government | Implementation of “wellness” approach to independent living in the community                                                                                                           | Community care                                                                                                                                                             |
| 3.7      | State Government | Implementation of Geriatric Medicine approach to Emergency Department Care                                                                                                          | Acute care                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3.8      | State Government | Multi-disciplinary approach to assessment of older people in the emergency care setting                                                                                                 | Acute care                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3.9      | State Government | Encouragement of self-management approach to chronic disease in the older population cohort through development of appropriate case management models.                                                                                                                                   | Acute care - tertiary and secondary care  
General Practitioner - Primary Care                                                                                                                                               |
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| 3.10 State Government | Further reconfiguration of hospital based services that promote a greater delivery of ambulatory care solutions for elderly people with complex care needs. These include:  
  - Non-hospital based rehabilitation therapy options  
  - Post-acute discharge options |  | Acute care - tertiary and secondary care |
| 3.11 State Government | Implementation of preventative approach to the self-management of continence |  | Community care sector |
| 3.12 State/Australian Government | Strengthening of flexible support and service systems that assist carers in the caring role |  | Acute care, community care sector |
| 3.13 State Government | Development of age-specific service models of care for:  
  - Dementia  
  - Delirium  
  - Parkinson’s disease  
  - Falls  
  - Geriatric Evaluation Management  
  - Rehabilitation/Restorative Care  
  - Orthogeriatrics |  | Acute care - tertiary and secondary care |
<p>| 3.14 State Government/Australian Government | Initiatives to improve the co-ordination and communication processes between GP and the acute care sector |  | Acute care - primary care sector |
| 3.15 Australian Government | Strengthening of Enhanced Primary Care Initiatives across GP Divisions in metropolitan and rural areas for the management of chronic illnesses and multi-disciplinary care needs. |  | Primary care - General Practitioner |
| 3.16 Australian Government | Improvement in communication and co-ordination processes between the GP and residential aged care service providers. |  | Primary care - residential aged care sector |</p>
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<td>Appropriate and effective discharge planning practices and processes that reduce and prevent inappropriate discharges and readmissions of older people.</td>
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<td>4.2 State Government</td>
<td>Strengthening of community care service delivery models to improve the transition process for older between different programs along the continuum of care.</td>
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|                     | 4.3 State Government                  | Effective management of elderly patients in emergency department care settings through implementation of:  
- COAG Long Stay Older Patients initiatives  
- re-configuration of existing services.   | Acute care                           |
<p>|                     | 4.4 State Government                  | Effective assessment processes that focus on a comprehensive assessment approach to the management and care of older people in the acute care sector as advocated in the COAWG National Action Plan - Improving care outcomes for older people. | Acute care                           |
|                     | 4.5 State Government/Australian       | Strengthening of communication and co-ordination processes between acute care and residential care sector. | Acute and Residential aged care sector |</p>
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| 4.7     | Australian Government/ State Government | Support and strengthening of Enhanced Primary Care Initiatives across GP Divisions in metropolitan and rural areas for residential aged care facilities for:  
- Comprehensive assessment  
- Medical management review  
- Care Planning and  
- Case conferencing | Residential aged care sector |
| 4.8     | State Government | In collaboration with the Mental Health Network, develop a model of care that focuses on the transition of the older person from the acute care sector to the residential care sector and where appropriate to the community. | Acute - Residential aged care sector |
6. Horizon scan

A scan of the “ageing population landscape” indicates there will be factors that will re-shape pressures on the WA Health system.

- Technological changes will occur to bring about improvements in system capacities. For example, the widespread establishment of Tele-health networks across the state will greatly increase system capacity to treat rural and remote patients with complex conditions.

- Medical developments and research into treatments and therapy to reduce morbidity; for example stem cell research, Parkinson’s disease treatments and drugs for the treatment of dementia that slow progression will assist in reducing reduce levels of morbidity and mortality.

- Workforce demands across all professions and support services will place constraints on WA Health’s capacity to provide effective and quality services to the population that require care at all points along the continuum of care. This is particularly important in an industry that is heavily reliant on labour.

- The rising costs in terms of labour and technological improvements will place pressures on resourcing capabilities.

- It is anticipated that the “baby boomer” aged population cohort will have a higher level of expectation in terms of the type, choice and quality of care they will receive. It is also anticipated that they will have a greater ability to pay for health care services.
7. Key recommendations

7.1 Adoption by WA Health of the policy approach for the future model of care for the older person in Western Australia outlined in Table One (see page 12-16) incorporating:
- the three phases of ageing
- identification of responsibilities for implementation and
- the continuum of care approach.

7.2 The recommended policy approaches to inform the development of service models of care across the continuum of care for conditions of old age.

7.3 Commitment to collaborative approach with Australian Government to promote partnerships for the development of programs that support model of care for the older person.

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The membership of the Executive Committee of the Aged Care Network is drawn from three groups that support the formation of the Aged Care Network. The three groups are:

1. WA Aged Care Advisory Council - WAACAC
2. Clinical Advisory Committee - CAC
3. WA Community Care Reform Advisory Group - WACCRAG

The Executive Committee acts to:

- provide executive decision-making and coordination for the Aged Care Network
- strengthen multi-sectorial and multi-disciplinary relationships through partnerships and collaboration
- contribute to clinical services planning
- promote links to other networks
- provide expert advice on aged care issues to other networks

Membership

Executive Committee - Aged Care Network (ECACN) Membership

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Dr Peter Goldswain, Clinical Lead, Clinical Network Aged Care

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Appendix Three: Discussion paper: model of care for the older person

**Note:** The supporting information that illustrates the current service provision environment and supports the findings regarding the Model of Care for the Older Person is contained in Appendix Three. Appendix Three is listed on the Aged Care Network website.

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