

NURSE PRACTITIONER SERVICE

OUR MODEL OF CARE

Hunter Primary Care's Nurse Practitioner service is person-centred and will work collaboratively with the resident, staff at your aged care home, General Practitioners, specialists and allied health providers to provide timely and holistic healthcare. Our nurse practitioners are in addition to the resident's current healthcare team, and not a replacement for any existing services.



Nurse Practitioner model designed for aged care



Consistent high quality clinical assessment by a person familiar with the resident's baseline health status and goals of care



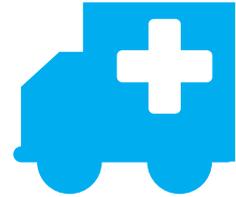
Regular outreach service to the aged care home to establish and develop an ongoing relationship with the resident



Contemporary knowledge of the aged care environment: legislation and clinical



Timely referrals to specialists and community based health professionals



Increase in access to primary care for residents could reduce hospital transfers



Medication review and management



Increase currency and documentation of Advance Care Plans



Communication with all involved in the resident's healthcare



Strong clinical governance structure to support the program



Documentation of each occasion of care



Hunter Primary Care has a long history of innovation and research in primary healthcare



WORKING WITH A NURSE PRACTITIONER

Benefits for staff may include:

- Enhanced knowledge and expertise
- Broadening clinical skills
- Role modelling clinical excellence
- Exposure to a clinical career pathway
- Modelling collaborative practice
- Guiding clinical best practice
- Modelling professional communication
- Mentorship



I am very happy with the nurse practitioner who goes to (the aged care home) and do not wish to lose the Nurse Practitioner service. We are all feeling much more supported with (my mother's) healthcare. She is now reviewed regularly, and with a new diagnosis of bowel cancer, we have had at least one emergency department presentation avoided when (the nurse practitioner) organised treatment in an outpatients department. (The nurse practitioner) has also been able to adjust antihypertensive medication when her blood pressure began to lower – again, avoiding an emergency department presentation. This service is invaluable – IT NEEDS TO CONTINUE.

Quote from resident's family member



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