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Sydney North Health Network supports primary healthcare report with a focus on chronic conditions

Northern Sydney PHN (operated by the Sydney North Health Network) welcomes the release of the Primary Health Care Advisory Group Report: *Better Outcomes for people with Chronic and Complex Health Conditions* – which highlights the importance of primary healthcare supporting patient's managing multiple chronic conditions.

In October 2015, Sydney North Health Network delivered a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Health Inquiry into chronic disease prevention and management in primary healthcare.

In the Sydney north region, new research suggests that already 46 per cent of adults have a chronic health condition (source: National Health Performance Authority) and by 2025 it is estimated an additional 17,000 people, in the region, will be likely to have 3 or more chronic conditions.

In her presentation to the House of Representatives Standing Committee, SNHN Chair Dr Magdalen Campbell acknowledged the challenges for the health system in managing an ageing population with an increasing burden of concurrent chronic diseases, but offered solutions on how primary healthcare organisations like SNHN were responding to the local challenge.

Core to our Strategic Plan for Northern Sydney PHN is the Person Centred Medical Home and so “we are pleased with the Government’s announcement of a trial of a new model to funding this. It is aimed at Australians with chronic disease and complex conditions, so they can enjoy better health outcomes in their own homes,” said Dr Campbell.

Sydney North Health Network CEO, Lynelle Hales said, “As a Primary Health Network we are well placed to lead the change required to advance patient and primary care. We will continue to work with our local health district, local hospitals, GPs and allied health professionals Networks to enhance the service delivery that will lead to better health outcomes for people with chronic care needs.”

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