

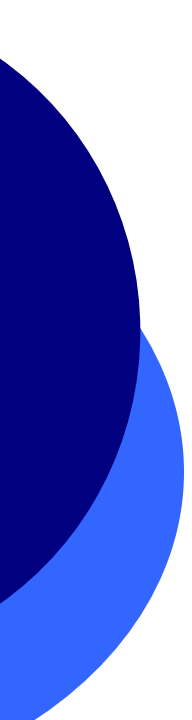
Quality Use of Medicines along the continuum of care

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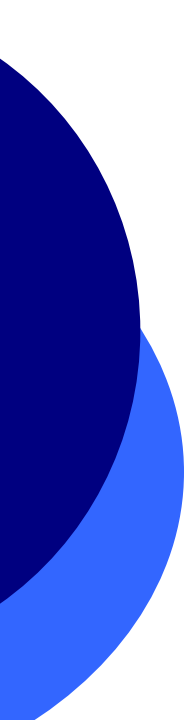
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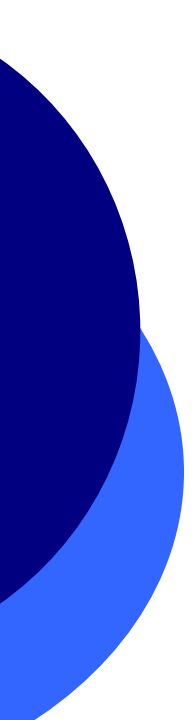
A model of collaboration that enhances
capacity for a QUM approach
within Divisions of General Practice



Collaborative working relationships exist between the Divisions of General Practice, GPSA and DATIS to promote an integrated state-wide frame-work to enhance the implementation of the National Prescribing Service (NPS) programmes within a broad QUM framework.



This partnership between GPSA, SA Divisions and DATIS has led to all Divisions of General Practice in South Australia having National Prescribing Service contracts and meeting and exceeding the core deliverables.



The implementation of this integrated framework in South Australia recognises the relationship between organisational change and individual behaviour change.

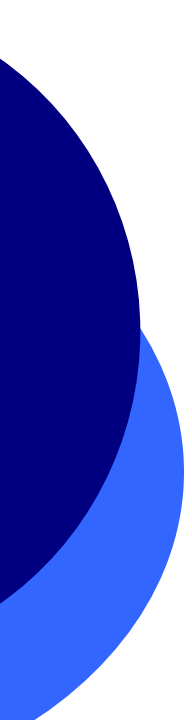
This approach allows Divisions to have an integrated QUM approach across other programme areas.

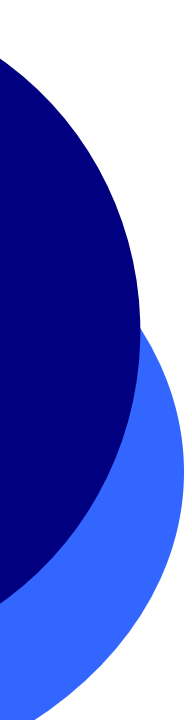
This approach aims to create a framework in which excellence in educational visiting can flourish and achieve improved health outcomes.

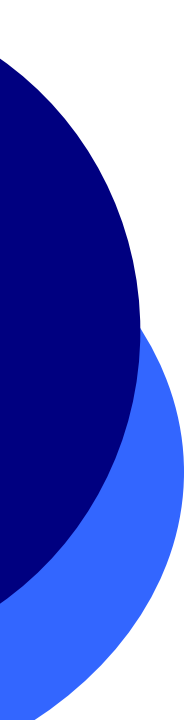


Elements for success of this partnership

- Willingness and time put into collaboration
- Build on each team member's strengths
- Shared expertise
- Credibility built across time
- Continuity of staff with a goal of building a sustainable QUM workforce

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- Builds QUM capacity of Divisions where QUM programmes integrated
 - Identifies opportunities for the successful implementation and roll out of the NPS - Quality Use of Medicines program that are locally focused and integrated with other Divisional programmes.

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- Links across health sectors with a focus on QUM along the continuum of care
 - Fosters further research and evaluation of these models

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- The Collaborative model which has evolved is iterative and continues to be informed by all of the members of the team.
 - Programme delivery has been revised to be responsive to individual Division needs and reflect the Divisional governance requirements and NPS requirements.



QUM activities

- quality use of medicines;
- quality use of pathology services;
- palliative care;
- chronic disease self management;
- QUM along the continuum of care;
- Acute post operative management and discharge management Acute coronary syndromes;
- health services evaluation;
- systematic training in social marketing for academic detailers in Australia;
- QUM along disease trajectories
- QUM along the continuum of life



DATIS objectives

To create a framework for translating evidence into practice utilising service orientated Academic detailing 'Educational Visiting Services' which are

- accountable;
- continually improves the quality of services;
- safeguards high standards of care;
- creates an environment in which excellence in educational visiting can flourish; and
- achieves improved health outcomes.

QUM along the continuum of care



Individual clinical expertise

Proficiency and judgement that individual clinicians acquire through clinical experience and clinical practice



External clinical evidence

Clinically relevant research, (basic sciences and patient centred clinical research) - safety, efficacy, effectiveness of therapies and diagnostic tests

Evidence based medicine is the conscientious, explicit, and judicious use of current best evidence in making decisions about the care of individual patients. Takes into account patient's predicament, rights, preferences

QUM along the continuum of care

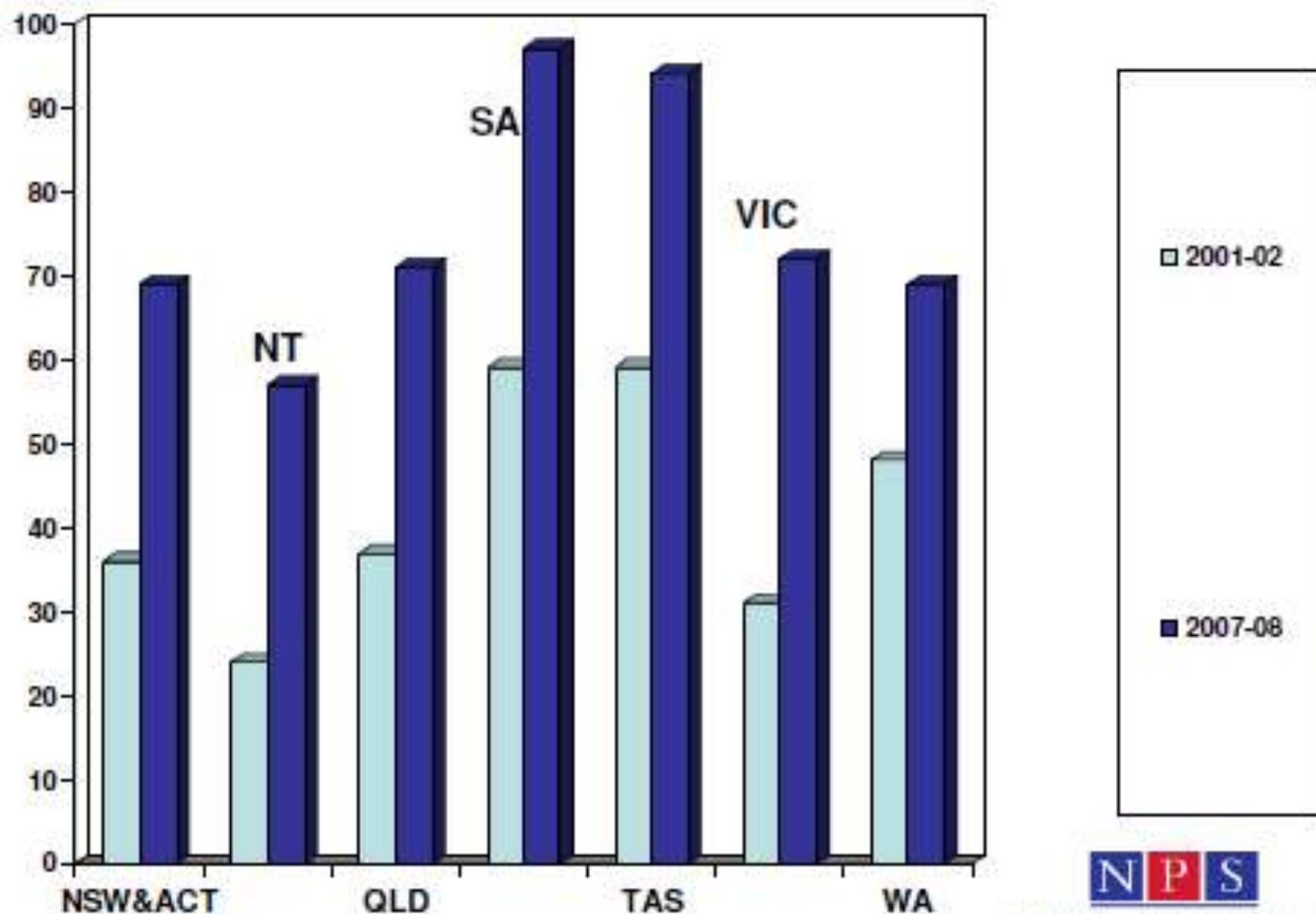


Therapeutic Choices in managing the symptoms of menopause continuing

Management options to maximise sleep
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Analgesics: Integrating the evidence

Increasing GP reach – Divisions program



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