

## ***My Health Record***

### ***Overview for Doctors and practice teams***

#### ***My Health Record has been re-launched***

#### ***An improved My Health Record has been re launched.***

- The launch of *My Health Record* on March 4th 2016 signals the start of a new era of faster, more effective and more efficient health care for Australians.

#### ***My Health Record can give you a more complete view of your patients' health.***

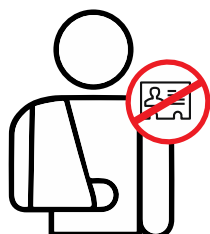
- *My Health Record* gives you access to information about a patient's medical information that you may not otherwise have. Information uploaded into the record can include things like allergies, adverse drug reactions and medication history, prescribed medications and discharge summaries.
- Having this information available to you can lead to:
  - Improved clinical decisions
  - Fewer adverse events for your patients
  - Less avoidable hospital admissions
  - Better health outcomes
- *My Health Record* does not replace your local clinical records. It can be particularly valuable when treating patients who see a range of healthcare providers because they have complex health conditions, as well as patients who don't have a regular doctor or who travel to receive healthcare services.

#### ***My Health Record is easy to use.***

- The system has been designed to minimise the time it takes to input or access information. If the data in your local clinical information system has been maintained, you can create a Shared Health Summary in two clicks.

#### ***My Health Record can help your practice day-to-day.***

Everyday  
>1 in 5  
**GPs**  
see a patient  
for whom they  
have no health  
information



**19**

the number of  
**interactions** the  
average Australian  
has **with the health**  
system each year

**8,010**

Healthcare  
providers  
registered to use  
the My Health  
Record system

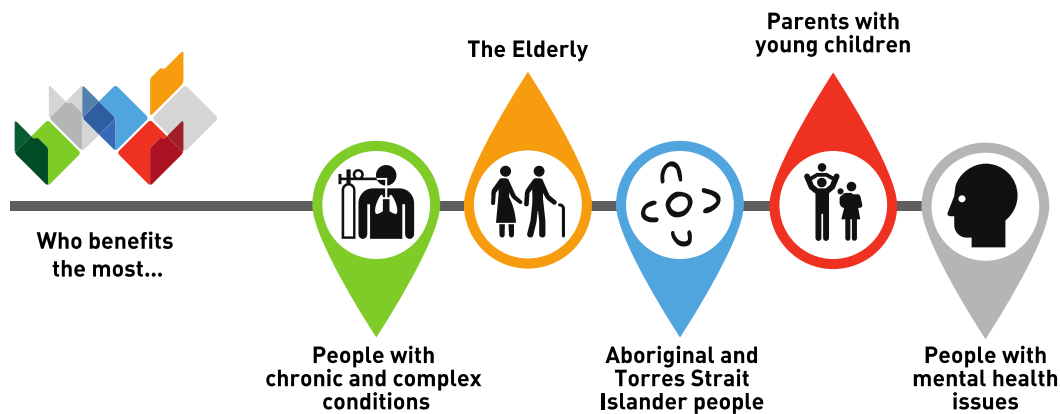


#### ***General practice is being encouraged to use My Health Record***

- To encourage use of *My Health Record* by general practice the Practice Incentives Program (PIP) eHealth Incentive is changing from 1 May 2016. Please see page 5 for more information.

## As a Doctor, what do I need to do?

- 1 Keep talking to your patients about the benefits of having a *My Health Record*.**  
Patients who have complex health conditions or who see several healthcare providers will benefit from having a record that is accessible by their treating healthcare providers.
- 2 View your patients' records.**  
You may see important health information that you might not otherwise have been able to such as summaries of their medical history including allergies and adverse reactions, hospital discharge information and prescription and dispense information.
- 3 Prioritise uploading a Shared Health Summary for those patients who need it most.**  
We know you may not have time to upload a Shared Health Summary for all your patients, so prioritise these patients as they will benefit the most from having one.



- 4 Make time for training.**  
We have some simple, online training resources that are easy to use and quick to work through. Schedule a little time to explore these online resources and build your understanding of *My Health Record*.
- 5 Get in touch if you'd like support.**  
We can provide you with assistance, including face to face support if required and details of our GP helpline. We will also be providing you with information to assist you throughout the year. As a start, we have assembled some "frequently asked questions" to help you explain the benefits to your patients, as well as for you and your practice. Just visit [myhealthrecord.gov.au/providers](http://myhealthrecord.gov.au/providers) or give us a call on the number below.

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