

Adelaide PHN is a membership based organisation focused on improving health outcomes, and your experience of primary health care, within the Adelaide metropolitan region.

Who we are

Established and funded by the Federal Government, Adelaide Primary Health Network (PHN) is a not-forprofit organisation.

It is one of 31 PHNs operating across Australia, and one of two in South Australia.

Working closely with the wider Adelaide community and benefitting from the experience and knowledge of primary health care providers, it's the job of Adelaide PHN to ensure the health system better meets people's needs.

Specifically, Adelaide PHN is tasked to:

- increase the efficiency and effectiveness of health services for people, particularly those at risk of poor health outcomes; and
- improve coordination of care to ensure people receive the right care in the right place at the right time.

How we work

Adelaide PHN does not deliver health services, but works by commissioning and integrating innovative health services and activities to respond to the needs of our community.

We work to our priorities

Adelaide PHN's work is framed around the following national priorities:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health
- Aged Care
- Mental Health and Alcohol and other Drugs
- Digital Health
- Health Workforce
- Population Health

The following local priorities are also considered and reflected across our work: Children and Youth, Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities, Disability, and Palliative Care.

We work in collaboration and partnership

Collaboration and partnership are at the heart of Adelaide PHN.

We are a membership-based organisation and benefit from the experience and knowledge of our Clinical Councils, Community Advisory Councils, Aboriginal Community Advisory Council and Network Leadership Group.

Through consultation and our annual needs assessment process, we work alongside both those experiencing and delivering primary health care across our region. Through our commissioning and integration activities we partner with government, private and non-government organisations. These partnerships support us to address barriers, foster connectivity and support access to timely and responsive health services and systems.



We work to understand our region

Adelaide PHN covers all of the Adelaide metropolitan region, from Sellicks Hill in the south to Angle Vale in the north, and from the beaches in the west to the foothills in the east. This area is home to 1.2 million people, the vast majority of the South Australian population.

We undertake extensive community and stakeholder consultation to identify and analyse the health and service needs of our region, and to prioritise our activities to address those needs.

Our team

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