

The General Practice Liaison Unit (GPLU)

Update and call for bookings

The Northern Adelaide General Practice Liaison Unit (NAGPLU) has been actively visiting general practices in the northern regions of Adelaide and are keen to engage with more!

Established via a partnership between Adelaide PHN and SA Health (NALHN), the NAGPLU works to improve coordination of care between hospital and community GPs by improving information exchange, co-operation, efficiency, and communication in relation to patient care and service provision.

NAGPLU has commenced face-to-face practice visits to enable discussion, promote engagement and educate GPs about available services. Eight (8) practices have been visited so far, with another 16 practices booked. Eager for further participation, northern region general practices are encouraged to contact the NAGPLU to book in their own visit.

Common themes already identified as a result of these practice visits include - delays in hospital correspondence (outpatients and discharge summaries), outpatient department waiting times and an improved capacity for shared information (integrating care, communication and collaboration).

These themes have confirmed some of the work being done in affiliation between the NAGPLU and northern area Health Care Homes practices. The NAGPLU has cdmNet access within the Lyell McEwin Hospital; a shared care planning platform that is supporting information sharing between a patient's practice-based and hospital-based care team.

From March 4 2019, the NAGPLU will also be commencing GP education sessions with a view to scheduling every quarter. Sessions will focus on department &/or condition specific conditions, issues relating to common GP referrals and other concerns raised by local GPs. Delivered by Sonder, these sessions will be accredited and contribute to GP QI and CPD.

To book in a practice visit from the NAGPLU email Health.NALHNGPLiaisonunit@sa.gov.au or call (08) 8282 0495.

More information and related links:

- Visit the NAGPLU page on SA Health's website [here](#)
- Upcoming GP education sessions available via Sonder: sonder.net.au/education-events/
- Find out more about Adelaide PHN at adelaidephn.com.au
- [NALHN GP Referral Guidelines](#)
[Health Pathways](#)