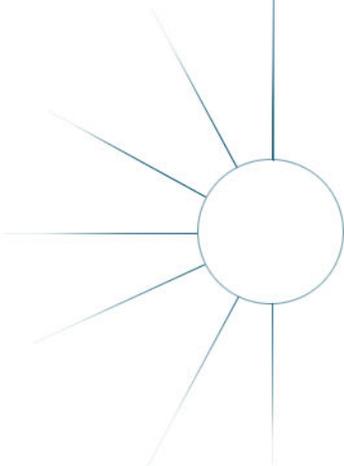




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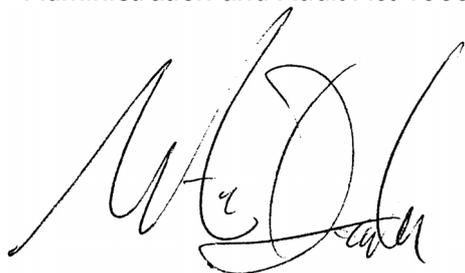
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To the Hon Bob Kucera MLA

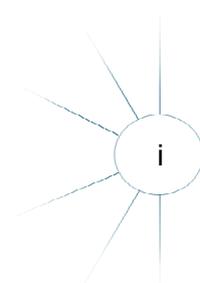
MINISTER FOR HEALTH

In accordance with Section 66 of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985*, I hereby submit for your information and presentation to Parliament, the Report of Corrigin District Hospital Board for the year ended 30 June 2002.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985*.



Mike Daube
DIRECTOR GENERAL
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
ACCOUNTABLE AUTHORITY
14 March 2003



ANNUAL REPORT

The past year has seen significant changes in the WA health system, in the context of an increasing recognition of its place in to our national health system.

The State Government health system does not exist in isolation. We work alongside other Government and non-Government services in the context of a national health system that remains fragmented and at times competitive. Much of our work and many of our challenges are informed by national and international trends, and decisions taken elsewhere. Nowhere is this clearer than in areas that tend to attract most public attention and place the greatest stresses for our system, such as workforce issues and the pressures on our teaching hospitals. These are understandably seen locally as local problems for local solution, but the reality is that they are significantly influenced by international trends and national policy and funding decisions.

We in Western Australia face all the challenges of contemporary health systems, together with high community expectations and often optimistic or disingenuous expectations that long-standing problems faced by all health systems can be resolved overnight in our State.

Against this backdrop have been steadily implementing change to ensure that the WA Government health system is as well placed as possible to face the challenges of the future. While ever more conscious of the size and complexity of our system and the challenges we face, remain optimistic that with good support and community understanding we can move well towards achieving our common objectives.

Our community enjoys outstanding health and health care by any standards. When we see and hear about problems we face, it is tempting to imagine that our system is failing us overall or that we are doing badly by national or international standards.

Of course there are areas of deficit, but Western Australians enjoy some of the best health and health care in the world. We live longer than people in almost all other countries, and even within Australia some parts of Western Australia are notable for the longevity of their populations.

Our health professionals are as well trained and qualified as those anywhere around the world, and we rightly adopt the most stringent standards in relation to their training and practice.

Those in the system will be more aware than any others of areas in which we can do better, but above all our community should be aware and rightly proud that we have a system in which first class professionals deliver high quality health care to a community with health outcomes that would be envied in almost any other country.

The world of health and health care has changed dramatically in recent years, and especially in the last decade. Around Australia, Governments and health systems are faced with identical problems and pressures including increasing costs of labour, equipment and pharmaceutical products, the changing roles of health professionals, a

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very proper emphasis on quality (and the inevitable costs and changes that this will impose on us), the needs of ageing populations and more.

The Department of Health is a vast and complex organisation, employing some 30,000 staff operating from more than 650 sites around the State. It is not a simple agency. We deliver some services ourselves; we work collaboratively with Commonwealth and local Governments; and we fund several hundred non-Government organisations, ranging in size from those such as St John Ambulance Association and the Royal Flying Doctor Service to small groups providing equally important local services.

During 2001/2002 we restructured the Department so that it is now a single unified health system. We now have a State Health Management Team, which works as a single Departmental Executive Committee. The four Metropolitan Areas have been established. Our Country Health Services have been rationalised; and an enormous amount of work has been carried out to move away from silo mentalities and towards a recognition that we must indeed work as a unified system.

During the year, the Department has recognised its responsibilities arising out of matters such as the Douglas Report on King Edward Memorial Hospital, as well as resolving some important industrial negotiations.

As the work of consolidation, always slower than one would hope, develops, my hope is that during the coming year we will be able to address further some of the high profile priorities for both Government and the community – for example coping with winter pressures, reduce waiting lists and valuing and supporting our workforce; that we will be able to demonstrate our values as a health system committed to quality, prevention and remedying disadvantage; that we will be able to focus on the medium and long term planning that are crucial if the needs of the next generation are to be well serviced; and that we will be able to engender an understanding in the community of the national and international context within which our system works. In the latter regard, negotiations on the next phase of the Australian Health Care Agreements will be of fundamental importance.

I would like to convey special appreciation to all the staff and volunteers working within the Department of Health. They know as well as anyone else the pressures we all face, but also the excellent service they provide and the commitment they display on a daily basis.

Mike Daube
DIRECTOR GENERAL

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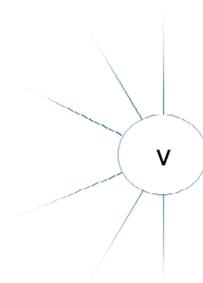
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Mission Statement

Our Mission

To become an integral, high quality component of the integrated health services provided by the Central Wheatbelt Health Service.

Corrigin District Hospital aims to deliver health services which meet people's needs, while also having a view towards raising public awareness of health issues and to in turn raise the standard of living for all Western Australians.

Broad Objectives

The objectives of the Corrigin District Hospital are:

- To ensure all people within the region have access to effective hospital care.
- To restore those who are ill or have disabilities to the highest level of health given the limits of each individual patient.
- To provide an emergency obstetric care service.
- To ensure health services are provided according to recognised standards of quality, and in a way that is acceptable to patients.
- To pursue the attainment of Multi Purpose Service status.

Enabling Legislation

The Corrigin District Hospital is incorporated under the *Hospitals and Health Services Act 1927*, which provides for the establishment, maintenance and management of public hospitals, and for incidental and other purposes.

The Hospital is directed and controlled by a Board of Management constituted under Section 15 of the *Hospitals and Health Services Act 1927*.

As the Accountable Authority for the Corrigin District Hospital, the Board of Management is responsible to the Minister for Health, Hon. R. C. Kucera APM MLA, for the general administration of the Hospital.

The Hospital does not operate in coordination with any subsidiary, related or affiliated bodies.

Ministerial Directives

The Minister for Health did not issue any directives on Hospital operations during 2001/2002.

Submission of Annual Report

Approval was sought under the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985* to extend the Corrigin District Hospital's deadline for submission of key performance indicators and financial statements to the Auditor General to 14 October 2002.

Statement of Compliance with Public Sector Standards

In the administration of the Corrigin District Hospital, I have complied with the *Public Sector Standards in Human Resource Management*, the *Western Australian Public Sector Code of Ethics* and our *Code of Conduct*.

Following an audit by the Office of the Public Sector Standards Commissioner in March 2000, I have put in place procedures designed to ensure such compliance and have undertaken appropriate internal processes to satisfy myself the statement made above is correct.

Such processes include:

- The updating of health policy and procedure manuals.
- Coordinating regular managerial meetings to ensure best practice and compliance is achieved at all times.

The applications made to report a breach in standards, and the corresponding outcomes for the reporting period are:

- Number of applications lodged None
- Number of material breaches found None
- Applications under review None

The Corrigin District Hospital has not been investigated or audited by the Office of the Public Sector Standards Commissioner for the period to 30 June 2002.



Kim Darby
ACTING REGIONAL DIRECTOR
WHEATBELT REGION
December 2002

Advertising and Sponsorship – Electoral Act 1907

The following table lists the expenditure on advertising and sponsorship made by the Corrigin District Hospital published in accordance with Section 175ZE of the *Electoral Act 1907*:

CLASS OF EXPENDITURE	1999/2000 \$	2000/2001 \$	2001/2002 \$
Advertising Agencies	–	–	–
Market Research Organisations	–	–	–
Polling Organisations	–	–	–
Direct Mail Organisations	–	–	–
Media Advertising Organisations	–	–	–
TOTAL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Freedom of Information Act 1992

The Corrigin District Hospital received and dealt with no formal applications under the Freedom of Information guidelines during 2001/2002.

Formal applications are defined as requests which:

- Are in writing.
- Give enough information to enable the requested documents to be identified.
- Give an address in Australia to which notices under the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* can be sent.
- Give any other information or details required under FOI regulations.
- Are lodged at an office of the agency with any application fee required under FOI regulations.

Applications are usually received from existing or former patients wanting to read or have a copy of their medical record, while others are from lawyers, authorised next of kin or authorised agencies.

The types of documents held by the Hospital include:

- Patient medical records.
- Staff employment records.
- Department of Health reports, plans and guidelines.
- Other health-related agency reports.
- Agreements with the Department of Health.
- Statistical data and reports.
- Books relating to health planning and management.
- Books relating to the treatment of illness and disease.
- General administrative correspondence.

In accordance with Part Five of the *Freedom of Information Act 1992*, an information statement detailing the nature and types of documents held by the organisation is available from the:

Information Coordinator
P. Keenan
Corrigin District Hospital
Kirkwood St
CORRIGIN WA 6375

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Corrigin District Hospital

Key Operations and Achievements

- Purchasing a new house to accommodate staff.
- Taking part in the Australian Council on HealthCare Standards Evaluation and Quality Improvement Program survey.
- Receiving support from hospital volunteers.
- Progress towards achieving Multi Purpose Service status.
- Conducting a benchmarking exercise.
- Recruiting of registered nurses from South Africa and Zimbabwe.

Purchasing Staff Accommodation

A new house to accommodate Hospital staff was purchased during 2001/2002. The four-bedroom home is fully appointed, and will help with the recruitment and retention of staff.

Taking Part in the ACHS EQulP Survey

The Hospital took part in the ACHS EQulP survey in September 2001 and received a further four years accreditation. The Hospital's current accreditation status will expire in November 2005.

Receiving Support from Hospital Volunteers

The efforts of hospital volunteers, including board members, Hospital Auxiliary, St John Ambulance officers, Meals on Wheels drivers and other volunteers, have been greatly appreciated by both staff and patients at the Hospital. The volunteers have made a significant contribution towards providing health services to the local community during 2001/2002.

Multi Purpose Service Scheme

Focus groups representing different sections of the community are meeting to provide input into a new Multi Purpose Service agreement, with the hope the Hospital will become an MPS site in early 2002/2003.

A needs survey was also circulated to all homes in the Corrigin Shire as part of the process of seeking MPS status. The aim was to obtain information from the local community regarding ways of improving Hospital activities.

Conducting a Benchmarking Exercise

A benchmarking exercise was conducted during 2001/2002 to ensure the Hospital's support service areas were meeting industry standards. It was confirmed the Hospital was performing very close to the benchmark as a result.

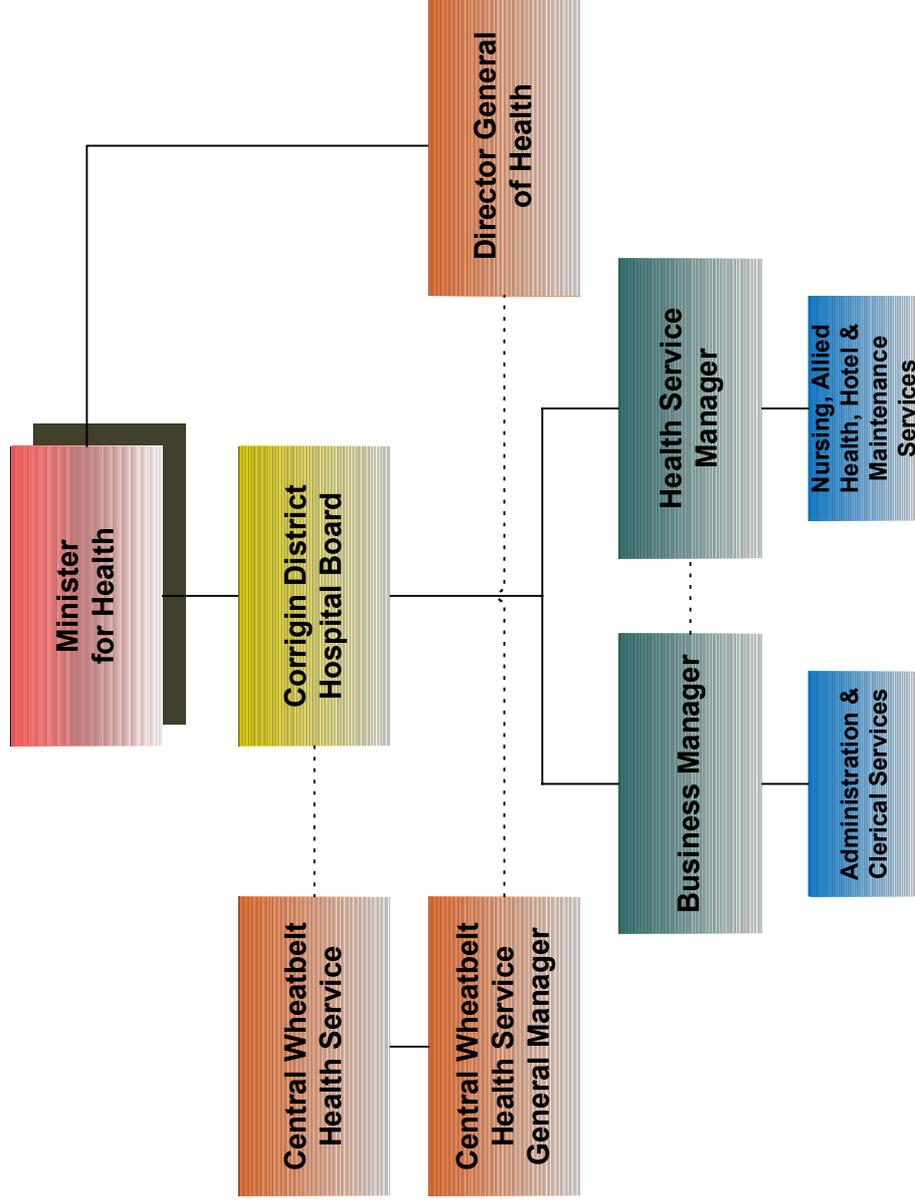
Recruiting of Registered Nurses

The process of recruiting registered nurses from South Africa and Zimbabwe was investigated during 2001/2002. This resulted in one registered nurse starting work at the Hospital as a sponsored immigrant, with another to be employed under a working visa during 2002/2003.

Major Capital Projects

The Corrigin District Hospital did not complete or make progress on any major capital projects during 2001/2002.

Organisational Chart



Accountable Authority

The Corrigin District Hospital Board represents the Accountable Authority for the Hospital. The board is made up of community-elected representatives each appointed for a three-year term. The members of the board are as follows:

Name	Position	Term of Office Expires
William Matthews	Chairperson	30 June 2002
Ian Campbell	Member	30 June 2002
Karen Dickinson	Member	30 June 2002
Alan McAndrew	Member	30 June 2002
Glenda McBeath	Member	30 June 2002
Johanna McMiles	Member	30 June 2002
Margaret Rendell	Member	30 June 2002
Rex Thomas	Member	30 June 2002

Note: The Governor in Executive Council approved the amalgamation of several hospital boards including the Corrigin District Hospital Board to form one board, with the assigned name WA Country Health Service, with effect from 1 July 2002. Notice to this effect was published in the Government Gazette on 28 June 2002.

Senior Officers

The senior officers of the Corrigin District Hospital and their areas of responsibility are listed below:

Area of Responsibility	Title	Name	Basis of Appointment
District and Corporate Management	General Manager	Graeme Leverington	Permanent
Hospital/Clinical Management	Health Service Manager	Pamela Keenan	Permanent
Business/Administration Services	Business Manager	Raymond Pozzi	Permanent

Pecuniary Interests

Members of the Corrigin District Hospital Board and senior officers at the Hospital have declared no pecuniary interests other than those reported in the Financial Statements section of this report.

Demography

The Corrigin District Hospital delivers services to communities covered by the following local authority:

- Corrigin Shire

The following table shows population figures for the local authority covered by the Hospital:

LOCAL AUTHORITY	Population as at 1996*	Population as at 2001*	Projected Population as at 2006*
Corrigin Shire	1318	1290	1249

*Data sources:

Australian Bureau of Statistics 1996, *Estimated Resident Population by Age and Sex in Statistical Local Areas, WA*, Cat. No. 3203.5.

ABS 2001, *Population Estimates by Age, Sex and Statistical Local Area, WA*, Cat. No. 3235.5.

Ministry of Planning 2000, *Population Projections by Age, Sex and Local Government Area, WA*.

Available Services

The following is a list of health services and facilities available to the community:

Direct Patient Services

Accident and Emergency
Acute Medical
Aged Care Accommodation
Extended Care Services
Mental Health Services
Minor Surgical
Paediatric
Postnatal Care

Community Services

Home Care
Meals on Wheels
Primary Health Care

Medical Support Services

Audiology
Dietetics
Medical Imaging
Occupational Therapy
Pathology
Pharmacy
Physiotherapy
Podiatry
Social Work
Speech Pathology

Other Support Services

Health Promotion
Hotel Services
Medical Records

Specialist Services

None

Other Services

None

Disability Services

Our Policy

The Corrigin District Hospital is committed to ensuring all people with disabilities can access the facilities provided by and within the Hospital.

Programs and Initiatives

The Hospital has aimed to improve its disability services plan during 2001/2002, according to objectives outlined in the *Disability Services Act 1993*. This goal has been achieved through programs and initiatives run on behalf of the following five key outcome areas:

Outcome 1: Existing services are adapted to ensure they meet the needs of people with disabilities.

- Occupational Therapy services were expanded through methods such as increasing staffing levels to allow people with disabilities, their families and carers to have greater OT access.

Outcome 2: Access to buildings and facilities is improved.

- The Corrigin Shire completed an upgrade to the footpath between the Hospital and the doctor's surgery.
- The Hospital's public car park was resealed to improve safety, and to provide a more level access area for people with disabilities.

Outcome 3: Information about services is provided in formats which meet the communication requirements of people with disabilities.

- All Hospital services were extensively advertised and promoted in local newspapers as appropriate.
- A pamphlet detailing Hospital services was developed and distributed to the local community.

Outcome 4: Advice and services are delivered by staff who are aware of and understand the needs of people with disabilities.

- Resources such as videos, and access to check lists to determine specific training needs were made available to all staff.

Outcome 5: Opportunities are provided for people with disabilities to participate in public consultations, grievance mechanisms and decision-making processes.

- A needs survey was circulated to all homes in the Corrigin Shire as part of the process of seeking Multi Purpose Service status. The aim was to obtain information from the local community regarding ways of improving Hospital activities.

Future Direction

The Hospital will continue to review and amend its policies, practices and procedures to identify possible barriers experienced by people with disabilities.

Cultural Diversity and Language Services

Our Policy

The Corrigin District Hospital strives to ensure there is no discrimination against members of the public based upon race, ethnicity, religion, language or culture.

Programs and Initiatives

The Hospital operates in conjunction with the *Western Australian Government Language Services Policy*, and has the following strategies and plans in place to assist people who experience cultural barriers or communication difficulties while accessing the service's facilities:

- Although the Hospital does not offer an on-site interpreter service, access to an interpreter is available via phone link 24 hours a day.
- Staff and community members who speak a language other than English are used as interpreters where it is appropriate to do so.

Youth Services

Our Policy

The Corrigin District Hospital acknowledges the rights and special needs of youth, and endeavours to provide appropriate services, supportive environments and opportunities for young people.

The Hospital is committed to the following objectives as outlined in *Action: A State Government Plan for Young People, 2000–2003*:

- Promoting a positive image of young people.
- Promoting the broad social health, safety and wellbeing of young people.
- Better preparing young people for work and adult life.
- Encouraging employment opportunities for young people.
- Promoting the development of personal and leadership skills.
- Encouraging young people to take on roles and responsibilities, which lead to active adult citizenship.

Programs and Initiatives

New health initiatives are being developed with community consultation — particularly in relation to youth — as a result of the Hospital's progression towards attaining Multi Purpose Service status. These initiatives are as follows:

- Early detection and treatment of speech and/or language disabilities in the paediatric population.
- Delivery of the Kidsafe Program. Kidsafe — otherwise known as the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Australia — initiates programs aimed at raising public awareness of child safety issues and injury prevention.
- Organising HomeSafe parties. These parties use the successful home party plan model — along the lines of tupperware parties — to provide people with simple strategies for dealing with hazards in the home that frequently lead to injuries, accidents or sometimes death.
- Working cooperatively with youth organisations and police to provide workshops and activities aimed at improving the practical and social skills of young people. These workshops have covered topics such as mental health, healthy eating, drug and alcohol awareness, smoking effects, exercise, sexual health and youth relationships.
- Running driver awareness programs for young people.
- Improving the Look After Your Mate Program to educate participants on first aid, and to raise young people's awareness of the consequences of binge drinking.
- Coordinating the Yellow Ribbon Program, which helps in the detection and prevention of youth suicide, and in providing contact and counselling services for young people within the region. Several people have been referred to counsellors and have benefited from the program during the time it has been run in Corrigin.

The Corrigin District Hospital also provides a broad range of services incorporating youth into wider community programs. Some examples of this include running a broad range of promotional health activities, including quit smoking and healthy eating programs.

Employee Profile

The following table shows the number of full-time equivalent staff employed by the Corrigin District Hospital:

CATEGORY	1999/2000	2000/2001	2001/2002
Nursing Services	11.52	10.69	10.57
Administration and Clerical*	1.36	1.63	1.68
Medical Support*	–	0.04	0.06
Hotel Services*	8.76	8.76	8.58
Maintenance	–	–	–
Medical (salaried)	–	–	–
Other	–	–	–
TOTAL	21.64	21.12	20.89

*Note these categories include the following:

- **Administration and Clerical** — health project officers, ward clerks, receptionists and clerical staff.
- **Medical Support** — physiotherapists, speech pathologists, medical imaging technologists, pharmacists, occupational therapists, dietitians and social workers.
- **Hotel Services** — cleaners, caterers and patient service assistants.

Recruitment Practices

All recruitment activities undertaken by the Corrigin District Hospital during 2001/2002 were conducted according to the *Department of Health Recruitment and Selection Manual*, and were implemented according to EEO principles.

Staff Development

Staff development and education programs were provided during 2001/2002, and employees were given the opportunity to attend programs at metropolitan and regional hospitals.

Industrial Relations Issues

The Corrigin District Hospital is guided by the *Department of Health Industrial Relations Policy Manual*, and the relevant awards. There was no industrial action taken that impacted upon patient care during 2001/2002.

Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation

The following table shows the number of workers' compensation claims made through the Corrigin District Hospital:

CATEGORY	1999/2000	2000/2001	2001/2002
Nursing Services	0	0	1
Administration and Clerical*	0	0	0
Medical Support*	0	0	0
Hotel Services*	0	0	0
Maintenance	0	0	0
Medical (salaried)	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	1

*Note these categories include the following:

- **Administration and Clerical** — health project officers, ward clerks, receptionists and clerical staff.
- **Medical Support** — physiotherapists, speech pathologists, medical imaging technologists, pharmacists, occupational therapists, dietitians and social workers.
- **Hotel Services** — cleaners, caterers and patient service assistants.

Equity and Diversity Outcomes

Our Policy

The ability of an organisation to provide high quality health services to the general public is closely related to workforce diversity. That diversity needs to be tapped for planning, decision-making and service delivery.

The Corrigin District Hospital aims to achieve equity and diversity in the workplace by eliminating any discrimination in employment based upon grounds of sex, marital status, pregnancy, family status, race, religious or political conviction, or age, and by promoting equal opportunity for all people.

Programs and Initiatives

The Hospital aims to promote equal opportunity for all persons, according to the *Equal Opportunity Act 1984*. This goal is achieved through activities and programs run on behalf of the following outcomes:

Outcome 1 – The organisation values EEO and diversity, and the work environment is free from racial and sexual harassment.

- Hospital staff have elected EEO contact officers. The main role of these officers is to ensure Department of Health guidelines are adhered to in the workplace, and EEO policies are updated when necessary. The officers also act as a contact for staff who wish to raise queries or make grievances.

Outcome 2 – Workplaces are free from employment practices that are biased or discriminate unlawfully against employees or potential employees.

- A *Code of Conduct* document has been prepared outlining the level of behaviour expected of all Hospital staff. The document follows the guidelines regarding discipline for unacceptable behaviour covered by the *Public Sector Standards in Human Resource Management*.

Outcome 3 – Employment programs and practices recognise and include strategies for EEO groups to achieve workforce diversity.

- The Hospital is committed to equitable, open, merit-based processes to ensure the most suitable applicants are selected and recruited to the workforce. A commitment also exists to meet the principles and standards of the *Public Sector Standards in Human Resource Management*. All employees are afforded equal opportunities to secure promotion and advancement in their area of employment through performance management processes.

EEO Indicators

The following table indicates strategic plans or processes the Department of Health aims to have in place across the health system to achieve equity and diversity in the workplace, and the level to which the Corrigin District Hospital has been able to meet these goals:

Plan or Process	Level of Achievement
EEO Management Plan	Implemented
Organisational plans reflect EEO	Implemented
Policies and procedures encompass EEO requirements	Implemented
Established EEO contact officers	Implemented
Training and staff awareness programs	Implemented
Diversity	Implemented

Marketing

The Corrigin District Hospital's Ladies Auxiliary was able to provide fundraising support that was channelled into purchasing hospital equipment and providing other means of comfort for the wellbeing of patients.

Staff continue to make themselves available to conduct guided tours of the Hospital, either for school or interested community groups.

Nursing staff often maintain contact with discharged patients and supporting families, offering advice on lifestyles and methods of care, and keeping these people aware of available Hospital facilities.

The Hospital has no expenditure to report on marketing and promotional activities during 2001/2002.

Publications

A locally distributed newsletter advising the general public of hospital facilities and new or revised health services, policies and procedures is widely available.

The Corrigin District Hospital's Annual Report is also distributed to interested community groups.

Research and Development

The Corrigin District Hospital carried out no major research and development programs during 2001/2002.

Evaluations

The Corrigin District Hospital carried out no major evaluations during 2001/2002.

Risk Management

Our Policy

The Corrigin District Hospital aims to achieve the best possible practice in the management of all risks that threaten to adversely impact upon the Hospital itself, its patients, staff, assets, functions, objectives, operations, or upon members of the public.

Strategies and Initiatives

Risk management strategies evolved in the following ways during 2001/2002:

- Health Service Managers from the Central Wheatbelt region attended a workshop conducted by Stanton Partners — an internal audit and assurance service provider — under the auspices of the Department of Health. Managers met as a group following the workshop to discuss adopting an action plan for the region, and to assume individual responsibilities for sections of risk management.
- The District Risk Management Plan was accepted at all sites within the Central Wheatbelt region, including the Corrigin District Hospital, during 2001/2002. The plan had been developed following two workshops conducted by RiskCover during 1999/2000 that were attended by all Health Service Managers from the Central Wheatbelt region.

Future Direction

The Hospital will continue to review its risk management and quality improvement processes in keeping with the above policy.

Internal Audit Controls

The Corrigin District Hospital has established a system of internal controls as a means of providing reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, proper accounting records are maintained, and financial information is reliable. The Corrigin District Hospital Board oversees the operation of internal audit functions, and ensures management addresses any findings arising from internal and external audit reports.

Audit findings identified during 2001/2002 have been disclosed under the category of moderate shortcomings.

Waste Paper Recycling

The Corrigin District Hospital does not produce enough waste paper or other recyclable products to make it an economical or viable option to transport the material to Perth for recycling. The remote rural location of the Hospital also impedes recycling practices.

No records were kept of the amount of waste paper recycled during 2001/2002 as a result.

The Hospital uses recycled products where possible and practical.

Pricing Policy

The Corrigin District Hospital raises a number of fees and charges to recover the estimated cost of providing certain services, except where a public service obligation exists.

A daily bed fee is raised against all patients other than those treated under the public health system. These fees contribute towards the cost of services required to treat patients. The only exception to this is professional medical services, which are provided privately by medical practitioners.

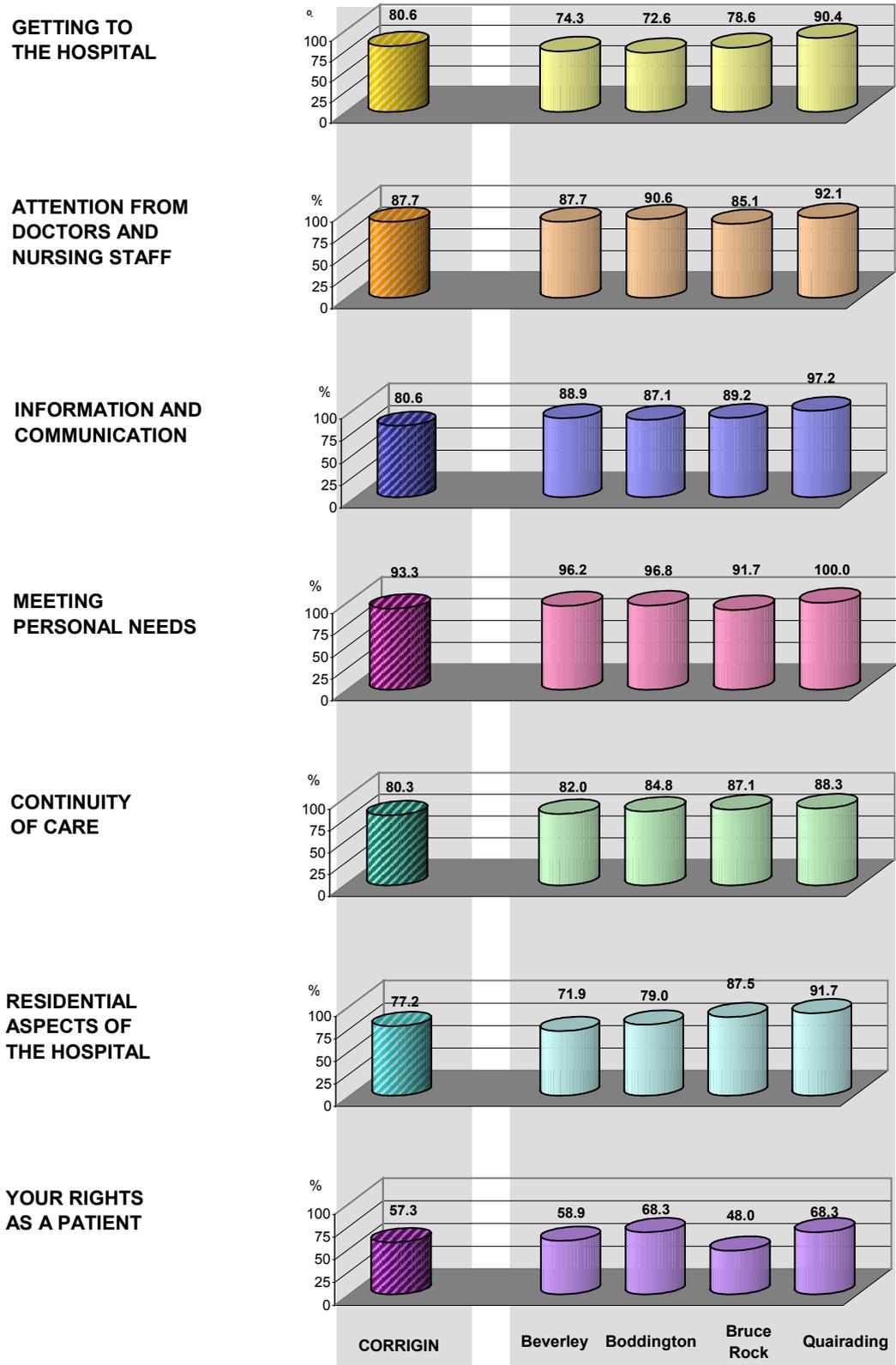
No fees are raised against registered public and private outpatients of the Hospital.

Client Satisfaction Surveys

Favourable satisfaction ratings have been associated with favourable health outcomes. In addition, if a patient's perception of health service provision is favourable they will be more likely to seek timely help, assistance or treatment. The Department of Health has produced Client Satisfaction Survey Questionnaires for various health service client groups with special forms for parents to answer on behalf of their children. The questionnaires have been standardised and have demonstrated valid and reliable results over time.

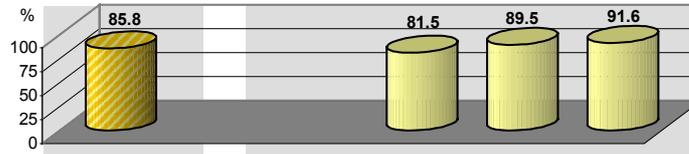
Each year a number of client groups are selected to answer questions about their experiences within the health system. The survey process is managed by the Department of Health with questionnaires being posted to patients during a specified survey period. Details of the responses to individual questions are shown below and audited aggregate results of these surveys are shown in the Key Performance Indicator section (page 46) of this report.

KPI 2.2: EMERGENCY PATIENTS — RURAL

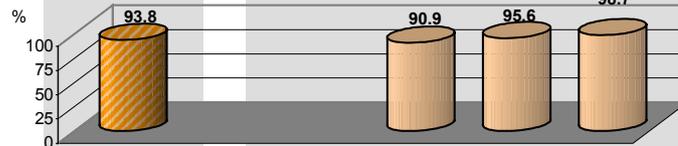


KPI 2.2: OUTPATIENTS — RURAL

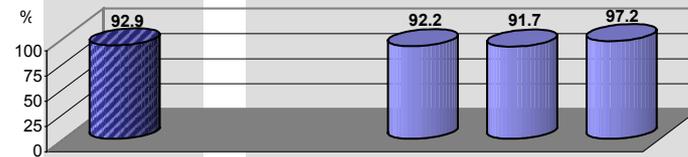
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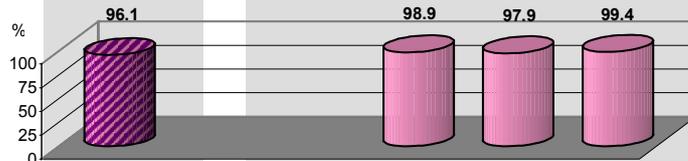
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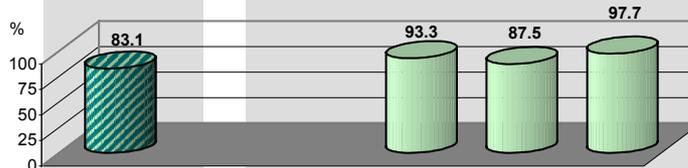
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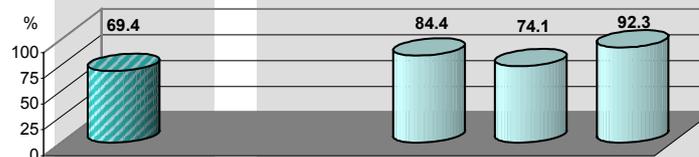
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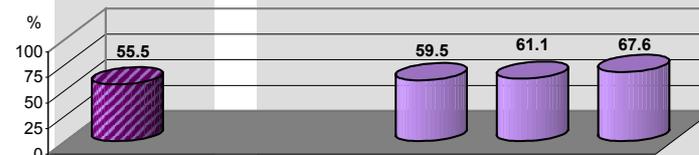
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YOUR RIGHTS AS A PATIENT



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AUDITOR GENERAL

To the Parliament of Western Australia

**CORRIGIN DISTRICT HOSPITAL BOARD
PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002**

Scope

I have audited the key effectiveness and efficiency performance indicators of the Corrigin District Hospital Board for the year ended June 30, 2002 under the provisions of the Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985.

The Board was responsible for developing and maintaining proper records and systems for preparing and presenting performance indicators. I have conducted an audit of the key performance indicators in order to express an opinion on them to the Parliament as required by the Act. The key performance indicators reflect the progress made to date as part of the staged process to develop more enhanced measurement of the performance of the Corrigin District Hospital Board.

My audit was performed in accordance with section 79 of the Act to form an opinion based on a reasonable level of assurance. The audit procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the performance indicators, and assessing the relevance and appropriateness of the performance indicators in assisting users to assess the Hospital's performance. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the performance indicators are relevant and appropriate having regard to their purpose and fairly represent the indicated performance.

The audit opinion expressed below has been formed on the above basis taking into account the ongoing development of the key performance indicators.

Audit Opinion

In my opinion, the key effectiveness and efficiency performance indicators of the Corrigin District Hospital Board are relevant and appropriate for assisting users to assess the Hospital's performance and fairly represent the indicated performance for the year ended June 30, 2002.

D D R PEARSON
AUDITOR GENERAL
March 21, 2003



AUDITOR GENERAL

INTERIM REPORT

To the Parliament of Western Australia

CORRIGIN DISTRICT HOSPITAL BOARD

Under the provisions of section 94 of the Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985, I advise that it will not be possible to complete the audit of the financial statements and performance indicators of the Corrigin District Hospital Board for the year ended June 30, 2002 by February 28, 2003.

Whilst the Minister for Health granted the Corrigin District Hospital Board an extension to October 14, 2002 to prepare and submit performance indicators, my Office did not receive these until November 29, 2002. The indicators submitted were not of an appropriate standard and were returned for further revision. These were resubmitted to my Office on January 28, 2003 in a form adequate to enable my staff and audit contractors to undertake audit testing against the supporting documentation held at the Health Service site. Audit testing and a review of the results of that work is currently in course to enable the forming of an audit opinion.

It is anticipated that the opinions will be issued by March 31, 2003.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D D R Pearson'.

D D R PEARSON
AUDITOR GENERAL
February 28, 2003

**CORRIGIN DISTRICT HOSPITAL BOARD
CERTIFICATION OF PERFORMANCE INDICATORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2002**

I hereby certify that the performance indicators are based on proper records, are relevant and appropriate for assisting users to assess the performance of the Corrigin District Hospital Board and fairly represent the performance of the Health Service for the financial year ending 30 June 2002.



Mike Daube
ACCOUNTABLE AUTHORITY
Director General of Health

November 2002

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Background

The Performance Indicators reported in the following pages address the extent to which the strategies and activities of the Health Service have contributed to the required health outcomes and outputs, viz.,

OUTCOME 1 - Improvement in health by a reduction in the incidence of preventable disease, injury, disability, premature death and the extent and impact of drug abuse.

Output 1 - Prevention and promotion services aim to improve the health of Western Australians by reducing the incidence of preventable disease, injury, disability, premature death and the extent and impact of drug abuse.

OUTCOME 2 - Restoration of the health of people with acute illness.

Output 2 - Diagnosis and treatment services aim to improve the health of Western Australians by restoring the health of people with acute illness.

OUTCOME 3 - Improvement in the quality of life for people with chronic illness and disability.

Output 3 - Continuing care services are provided to improve the quality of life for those who need continuing care.

The different service activities, which relate to the components of the outcome, are outlined below.

Output 1: Prevention and Promotion

- Community and Public health services
- Mental health services
- Drug abuse strategy coordination, treatment and prevention services

Output 2: Diagnosis and Treatment

- Hospital services (emergency, outpatient & in-patient)
- Nursing posts
- Community health services (post discharge care)
- Mental health services

Output 3: Continuing Care

- Services for frail aged and disabled people (eg, Aged Care Assessments, in-patient respite, outpatient services for chronic pain and disability, Nursing Home Type hospital care)
- Services for the terminally ill (eg, in-patient palliative care)
- Mental health services

There are some services, such as Community Health, which address all three of the outputs. Current information systems do not easily allow the distinction to be made between the three and this is therefore an important area for future development. To assure consistency in reporting and evaluation the Health Service has, during the year, continued to develop clear guidelines for the collection and interpretation of data for performance reporting. Whilst steps have been taken to minimise inconsistencies, some still exist.

General Approach

One of the aims of the Health Service has been to deliver activity, equitably distributed to, and accessible by, all sectors of the community.

For most of those performance indicators of health service delivery which target the

- reduction of the incidence of preventable disease, injury, disability and premature death and
 - the improvement of the quality of life of people with chronic illness and disability,
- the graphs used indicate performance for those who live in each catchment area irrespective of where service is provided and whether service is delivered in private or public hospitals.

For most services restoring the health of those with acute illness, performance is graphed according to where the service has been provided, irrespective of where people live and only includes service delivered by the public sector.

The indicators for these intervention strategies are the first step in a staged process leading to more comprehensive and meaningful measurement and reporting of performance in the above. Further indicators are being developed to assist in measurement, management and reporting.

Comparative Results

In certain cases results for other Health Services are assessed as being helpful in illustrating the performance of the Health Service being principally reported, ie the subject matter of the Report.

In the labelling of graphs, the technique has been used in which the results of the principally reported Health Service is always placed first (on the left), using UPPER CASE lettering.

After leaving a space, those results for comparative Health Services are shown to the right of this and use Lower Case identification to differentiate clearly between principal and comparative Health Services.

Output Measures

The four output measures are of quantity, quality, timeliness and cost. These are direct measures of performance, but are not to be confused with Key Performance Indicators of Efficiency and Effectiveness.

Quantity measures describe outputs in terms of how much, or how many are performed and require a unit of measurement to be defined.

Quality measures usually reflect service standards based on customer needs. The dimensions of quality as an output measure include: accuracy; completeness; accessibility; continuity; and a customer acceptability of the output.

Timeliness measures provide parameters for how often, or within what time frame, outputs will be produced.

Cost measures reflect the full accrual cost to an agency of producing each output.

Hospitals and Health Services are required to report output measures of quantity, quality, timeliness and cost together with a comparison between actual and target performance.

Assessing the Performance of the Health Service

It is not only the KPIs and Output Measures which readers of this report should examine when assessing the performance of the Health Service. The Key Performance Indicators, Financial Statements and Hospitals/Health Services reports, all provide information relevant to assessment of Health Service performance for 2001/02.

Glossary of Terms

Performance Indicator – information about output performance or outcome achievement, usually expressed as a unit, index or ratio.

Efficiency Indicator – a performance indicator that relates an output to the level of resource input required to produce it.

Effectiveness Indicator – a performance indicator which provides information on the extent to which a government desired outcome has been achieved through the funding and production of an agreed output.

MEDIAN WAITING TIMES FOR COMMUNITY AND ALLIED HEALTH SERVICES (HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY BASED)

KPI 1.1

Timely and easy access to health services is effective in reducing the incidence of preventable diseases and premature death by providing clinically appropriate treatment of illness and injury.

Access to health services are provided on the basis of clinical need but situations where clients are waiting longer than the average may reflect sub-optimal practices or under-resourcing within the organisation.

This indicator measures the median (middlemost) waiting time in weeks that clients waited from the date of referral or initial presentation for their first occasion of service. It must be noted that the time waiting for first available appointment in each of the specialties may differ. This indicator highlights different waiting times for different specialties.

Availability of practitioners for rural Health Services vary significantly from year to year and are in some situations available for some parts of the year and not able to be provided continuously; all of which make comparisons from one year to another of limited value.

Different Health Services for which peer comparisons are appropriate for other Output 1 Indicators operate such a different range and mix of clinics that comparisons here are of limited value.

There are no waiting lists for allied health services in the Central Wheatbelt.

RATE OF SCREENING IN CHILDREN

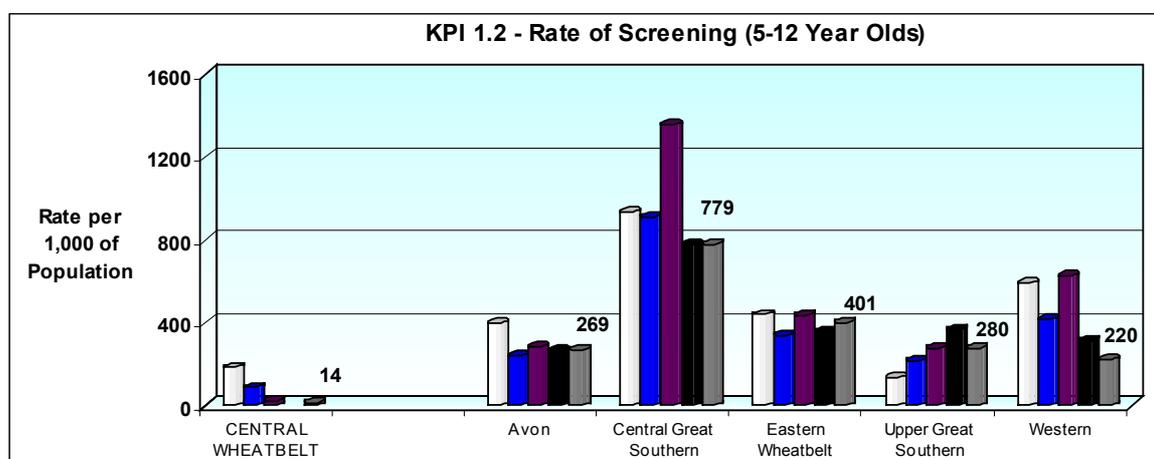
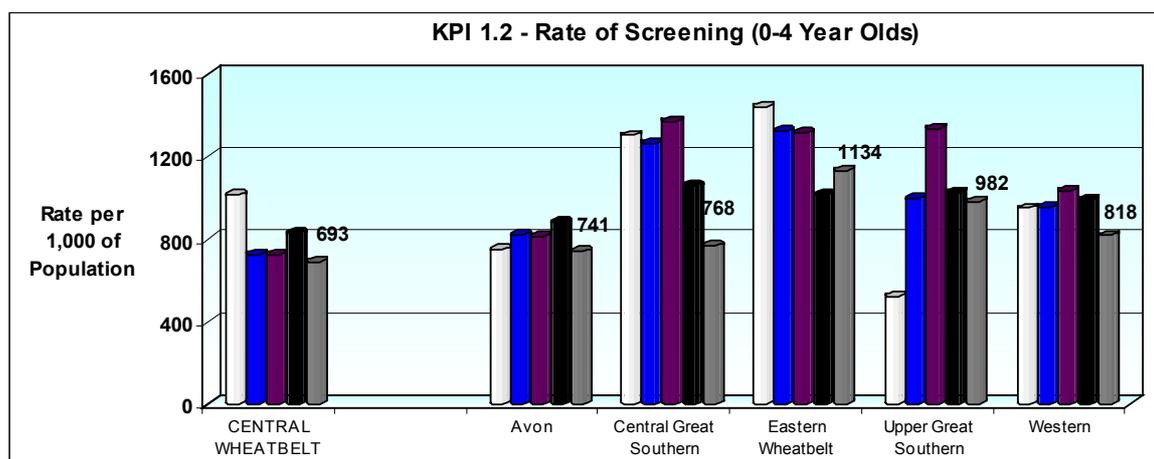
KPI 1.2

The community sets a very high priority on ensuring that the health and well being of children are safeguarded. Screening programs designed to detect disability and disease in the early stages of childhood development can prevent long-term disability. These programs not only restore children to good health when they become ill, but also help to maintain a state of 'wellness' that allows them to develop to their full potential. The State promotes a program of health monitoring at specific intervals in the period from birth to adolescence in accordance with the National Health and Medical Research Council's (NH&MRC) Minimum Screening Schedule.

The consequences of any illness or disability not detected by routine screening programs for children are more likely to be permanently disabling or even contribute to their premature death.

This indicator measures the rate of NH&MRC screening, by 0-4 and 5-12 year age groups of the resident child population in the catchment for the health service.

Note: A rate in excess of 1,000 per thousand can occur due to the same child attending more than once a year.



Calendar Year
 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001

RATE OF CHILDHOOD IMMUNISATION

KPI 1.5

Vaccine preventable diseases are associated with considerable morbidity and mortality, and vaccination is effective in reducing the incidence of these diseases in the community. Through this adoption of the National Immunisation Schedule, health system effectiveness in providing vaccination coverage at key milestones (12 and 24 months of age) can be assessed.

Without access to immunisation for children the consequences of any illness or disability are likely to be more disabling and more likely to contribute to a premature death.

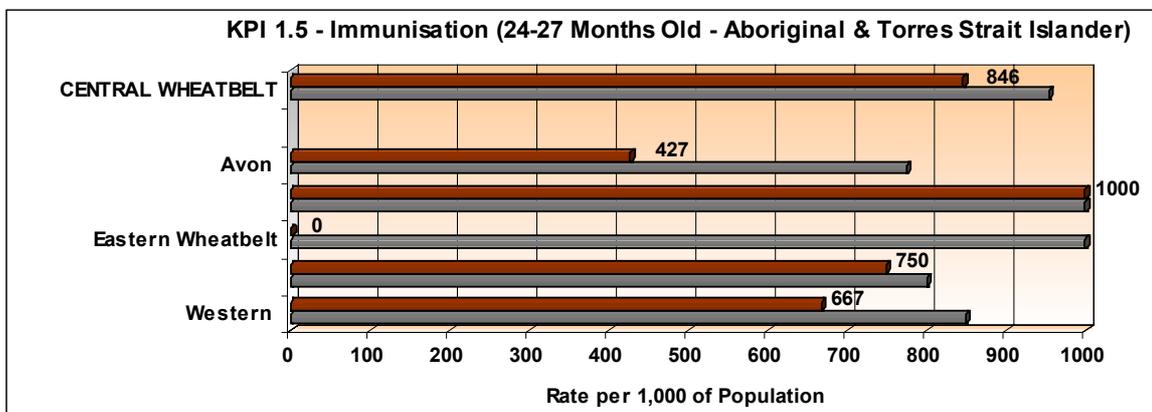
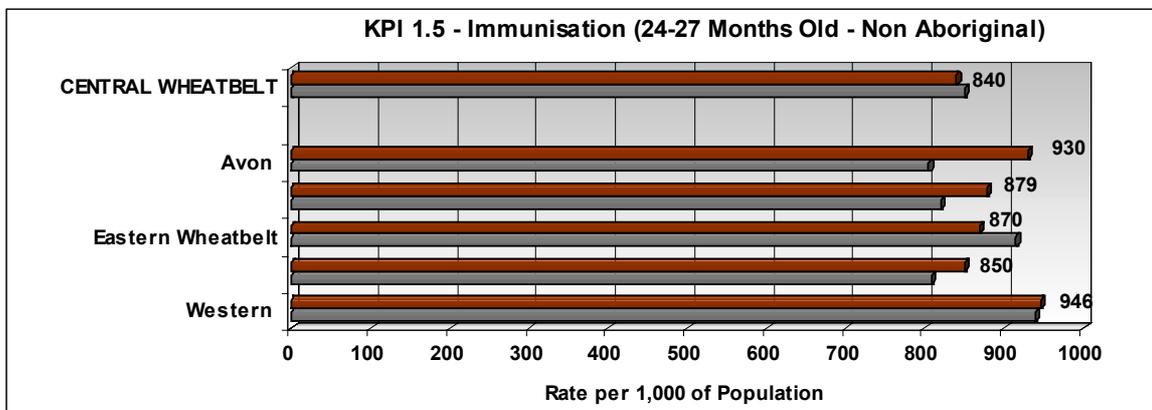
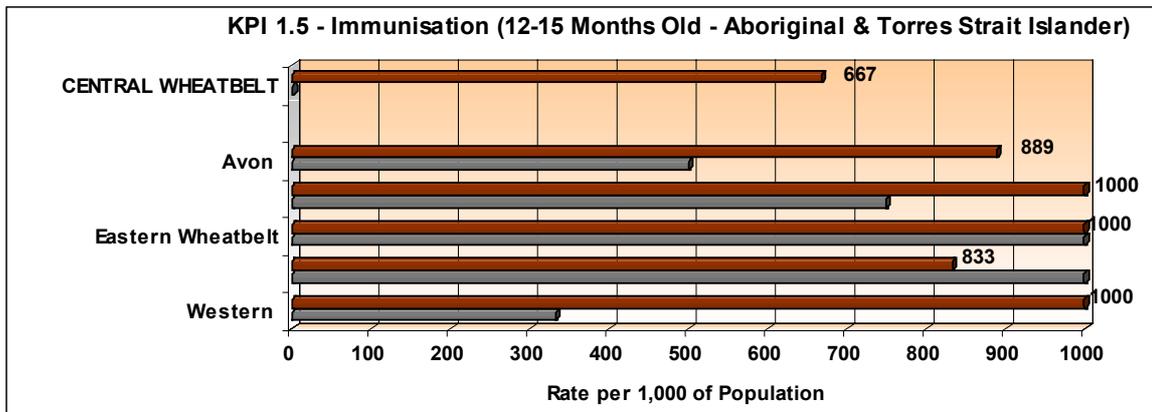
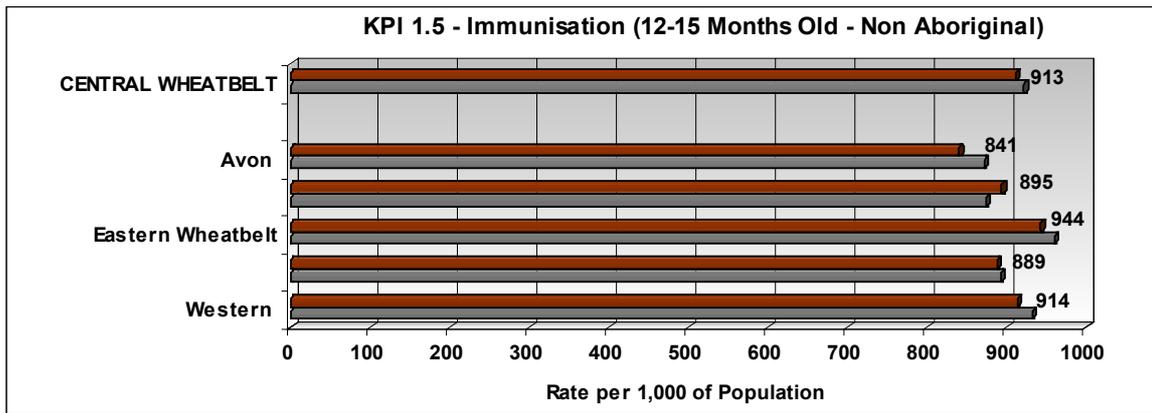
This indicator measures the rate of immunisation against particular diseases, by age group, of the resident child population in the catchment for the Health Service.

In calculating the rate of Immunisation, the number of Immunisations refer to the number of children who were fully vaccinated in accordance with the National Health and Medical Research Council (NH&MRC) standard vaccination schedule.

All infants born after May 2000 (but not before) were to be vaccinated against Hepatitis B at birth and again at 12 months. This effectively created 2 classes of immunised infants in that age group (12-15 months). It also means that there will be some discrepancies with the 24-27 month age group of the children shown even up to the calendar year 2002. The data shown for calendar year 2002 is from the first six months of the 2001/02 financial year and is therefore appropriate for this Report.

This year's data was taken from March only. In previous years the entire year figures were used. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander records were not reported on separately in previous years.

Key Performance Indicators



Calendar Year

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RATE OF REFERRAL AS A RESULT OF CHILDHOOD SCREENING SCHEDULE

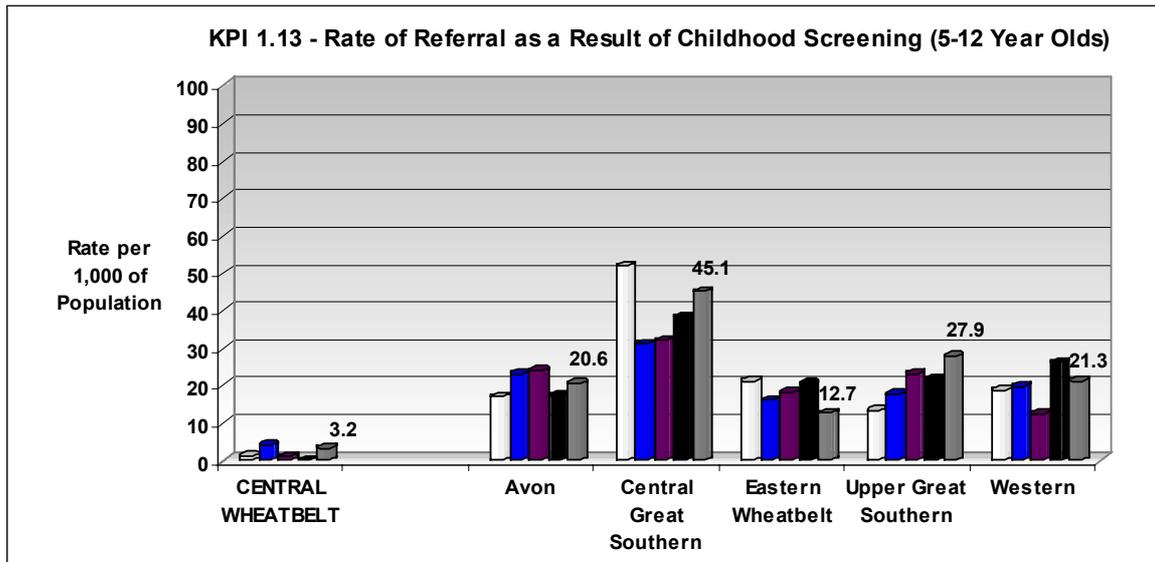
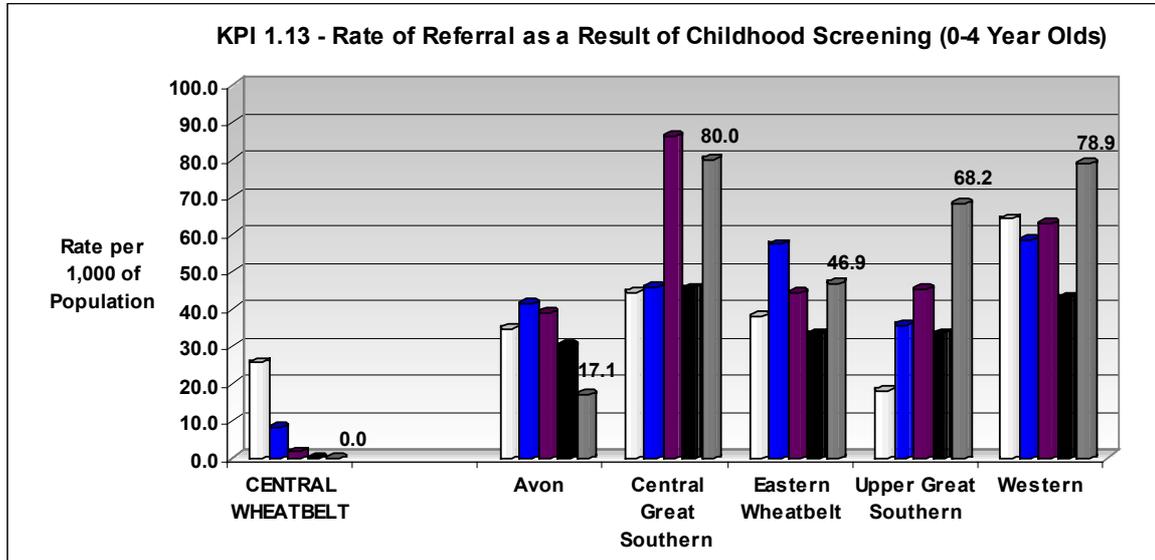
KPI 1.13

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The State promotes a program of health monitoring at specific intervals in the period from birth to adolescence in accordance with the National Health and Medical Research Council's (NH&MRC) Minimum Screening Schedule. This program includes appropriate referral for children needing further assessment and treatment. Timely referral can improve health outcomes for children in preventing disease or disability in later years.

Key Performance Indicators

This indicator measures the rate of referral after NH&MRC screening, by 0-4 and 5-12 year age groups of the resident child population in the catchment for the health service.



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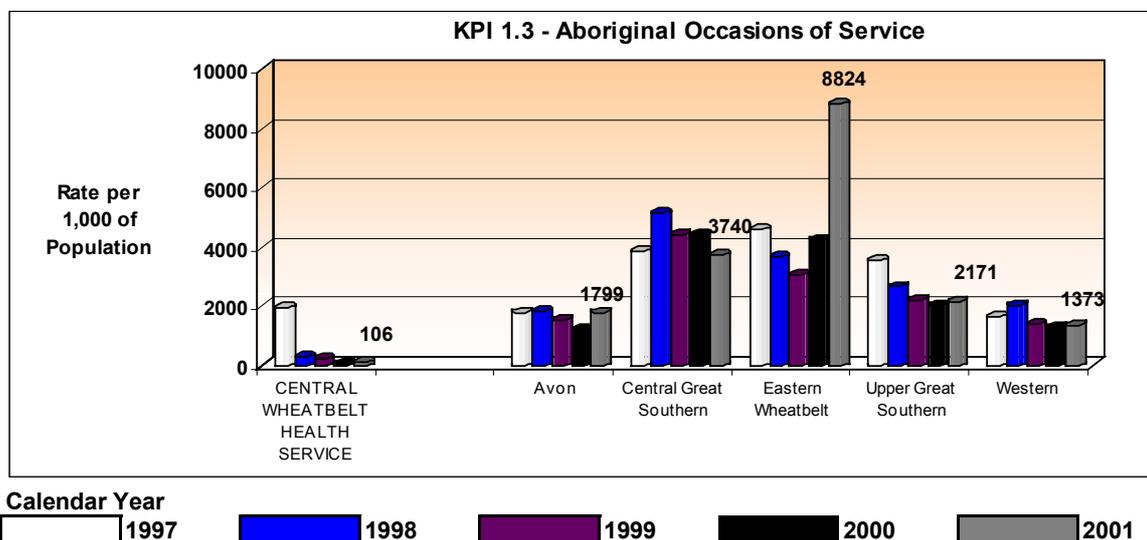
RATE OF SERVICE PROVISION BY COMMUNITY HEALTH STAFF TO ABORIGINAL PEOPLE

KPI 1.3

The lower level of health experienced by Aboriginal people has been of ongoing concern not just to the local community but to the world at large. National and State policies focus attention and resources on the area in an attempt to bring the health of Aboriginal people to a state that is comparable to the rest of Australia.

It is assumed that with poorer health, Aboriginal people will need to access health services at least as frequently as non-Aboriginal people. However, it must be noted that cultural differences which make them reluctant or unable to access available services and the inconsistent reporting of Aboriginality could mean that the number of services credited to the population may display inconsistent patterns.

A rate in excess of 1,000 occurs when individuals attend more than once in a year.



HOSPITAL SEPARATIONS FOR TONSILLECTOMIES & GROMMETS

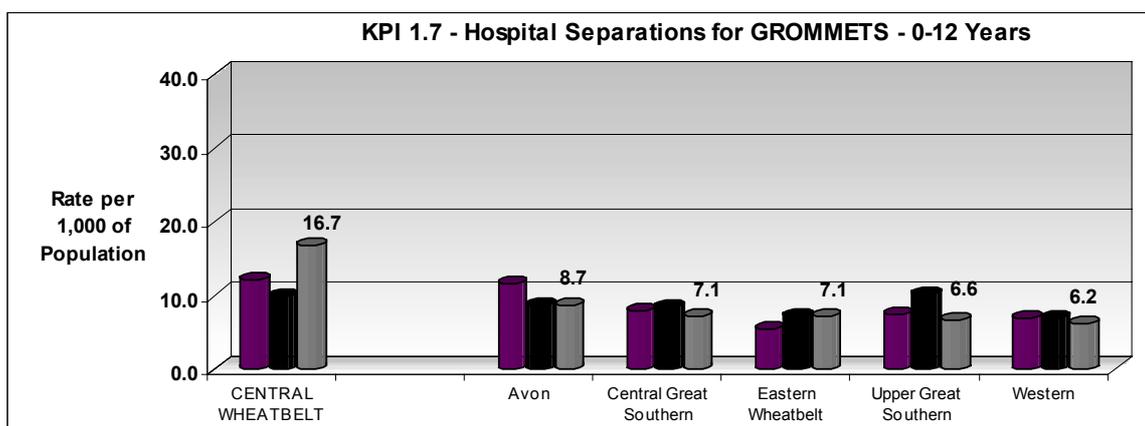
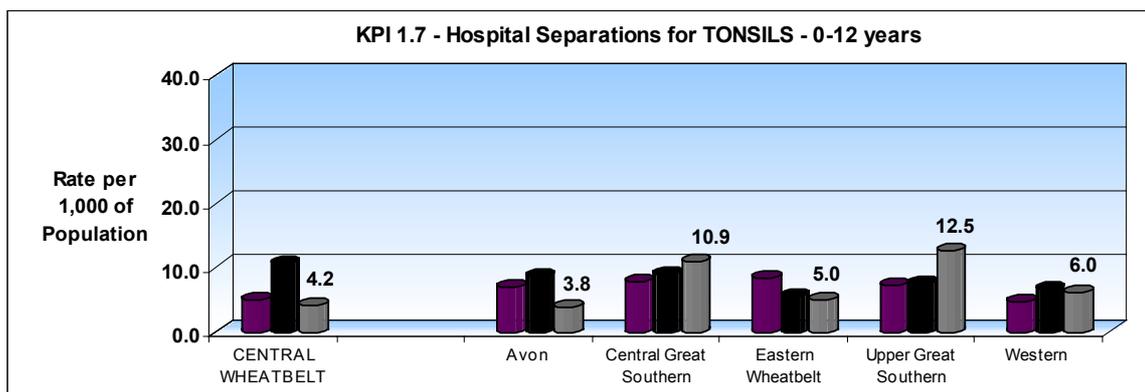
KPI 1.7

Current evidence suggests many tonsillectomies and grommet insertions are unnecessary and 'watchful waiting' and presurgery testing may be effective in reducing inappropriate surgery.

Successful management and treatment of children with chronic infections by community health staff could be anticipated to reduce the level of surgical intervention. As the success of this intervention program cannot be measured directly, an indirect measure of its success can be estimated by determining the rate of hospitalisation for these procedures.

Comparison of the rate of hospitalisation for tonsillectomies and grommet insertions with other comparable areas can help identify those areas where improvements in primary care could be necessary.

Both of the conditions for which these procedures are performed, are ones which have a high number of patients treated either in hospital or the community. It would be expected that hospital admissions would decrease as performances and quality of service in the many different health areas increases.



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HOSPITAL SEPARATIONS FOR GASTROENTERITIS IN CHILDREN

KPI 1.9

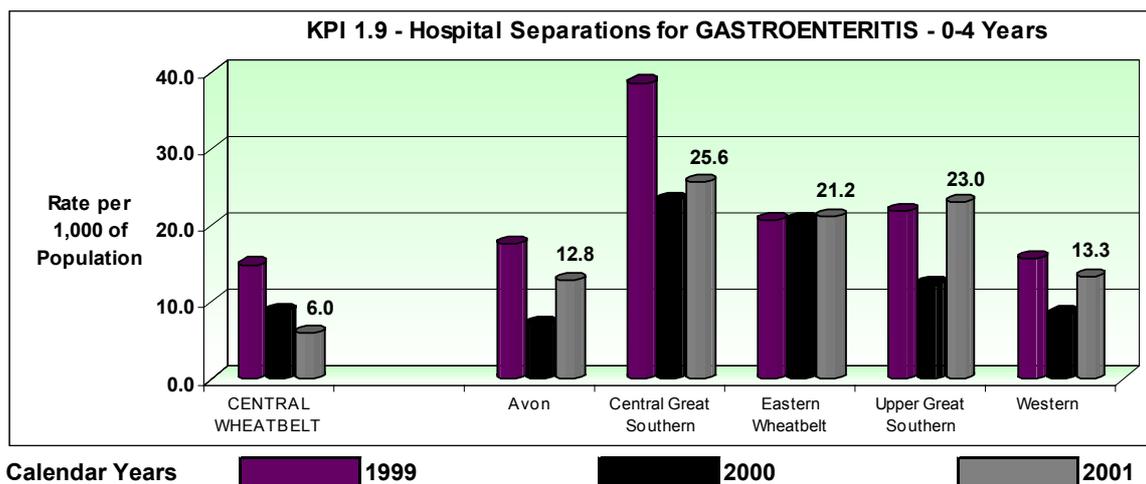
Public health and environmental health programs are aimed at maintaining safe water and sewerage disposal systems, and establishing and enforcing effective food processing and handling practices.

Effective delivery of these programs reduces the rate of transmissible disease like gastroenteritis, of which severe cases can result in hospitalisation.

An indirect measure of the success of community and public health prevention strategies is the rate of hospitalisation due to gastroenteritis. Improved primary management will reflect a decrease in the number of admissions for this condition.

Comparison of the rate of hospitalisation for gastroenteritis with other comparable areas can help identify those areas where improvements in primary care could be necessary.

Over the last three years the Central Wheatbelt Health Service has seen a reduction in the number of hospitalisations for gastroenteritis in children aged 0 to 4 years. It is difficult, however, to draw any conclusions as the data size is very small.



HOSPITAL SEPARATIONS FOR RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS

KPI 1.10

Respiratory illness is one of the most common reasons for hospital admission in children and young adults. Improved primary health and community health strategies, such as health monitoring, education and risk prevention can assist in reducing the incidence and prevalence of conditions such as acute asthma, acute bronchitis, bronchiolitis and croup.

Improved primary management will reflect a decrease in the number of admissions for these conditions. Comparison of the rate of hospitalisation for respiratory illness with other comparable areas can help identify those areas where improvements in primary care could be necessary.

Bronchiolitis

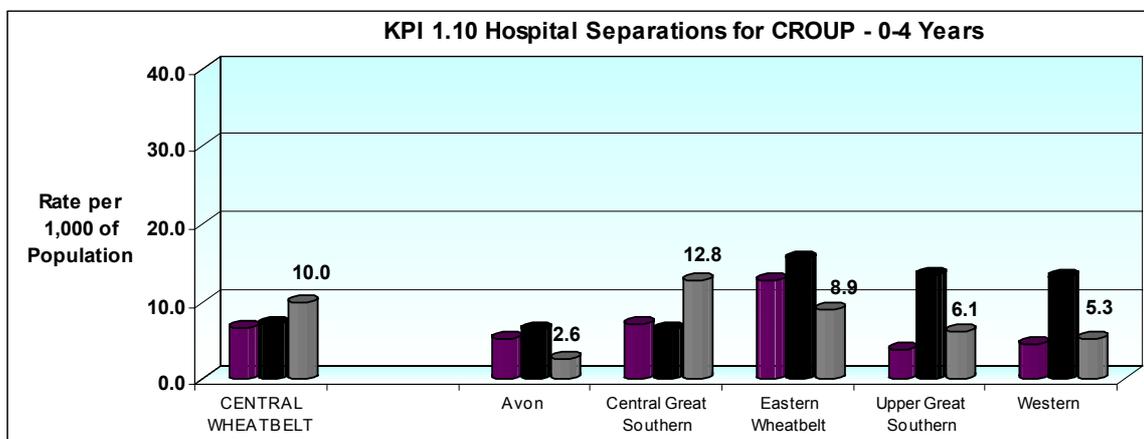
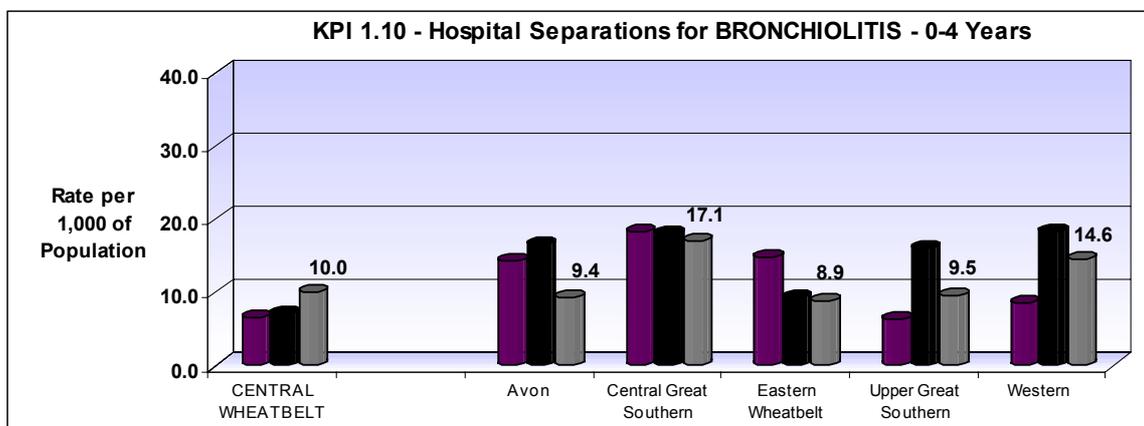
The graph shows individuals aged 0-4. Of those individuals aged 5-12 and 13-18, none were hospitalised this year.

Croup

The graph shows individuals aged 0-4. Of those individuals aged 5-12, only 1 was hospitalised this year, a rate of 1.1 per thousand and of those individuals aged 13-18, none were hospitalised.

Acute Bronchitis

No individuals were admitted for any of the age groups 0-4, 5-12 and 13-18 this year.



Calendar Years 1999 2000 2001

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS FOR ASTHMA

KPI 3.7

Hospitalisation for Respiratory Conditions like Bronchitis, Croup would generally include patients who have asthma. However, because of its importance as a condition in WA, hospitalisation for acute Asthma also reported separately to provide a more exact view of Asthma hospitalisation.

Hospitalisation for Asthma is part of managing this chronic condition. It is being reported in Output 1, instead of Output 3, in order to highlight the focus on measuring the effectiveness of Prevention and Promotion services for the condition.

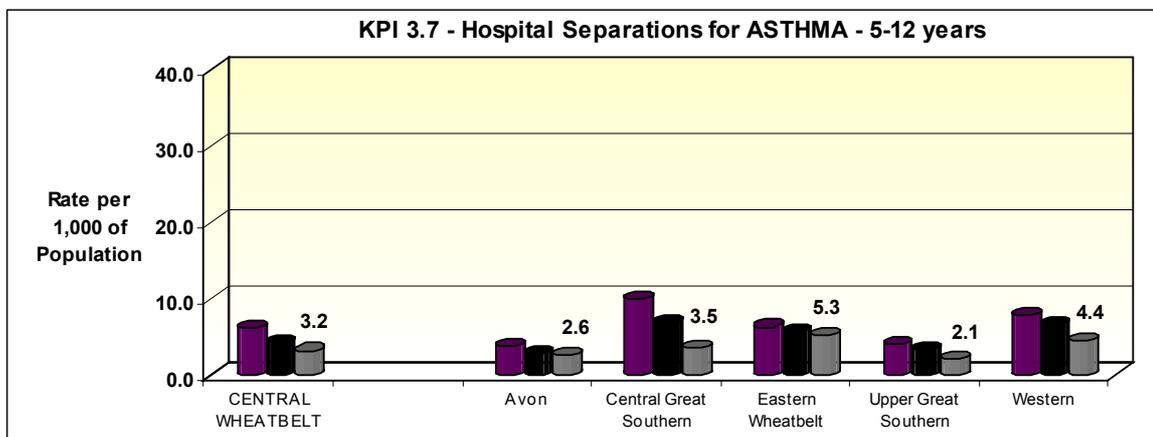
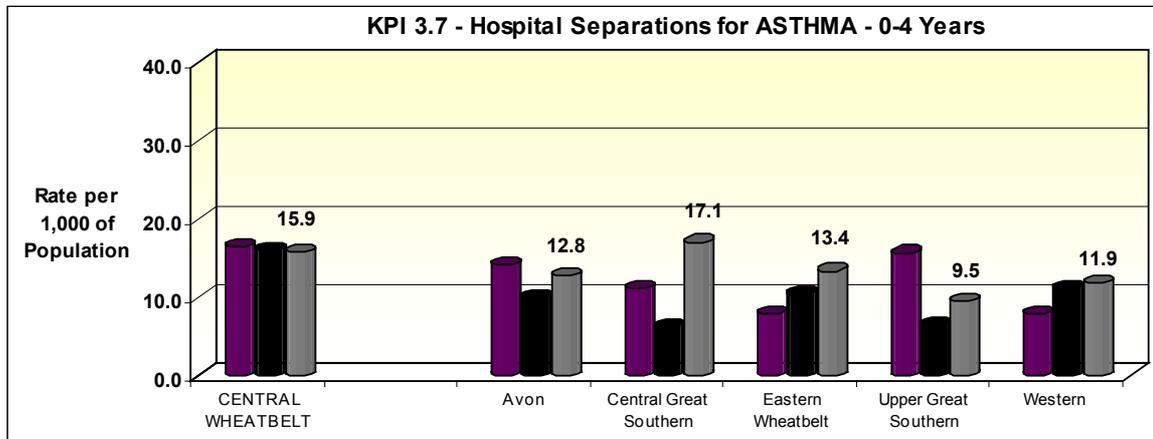
The number of patients who are admitted to hospital per 1,000 population for treatment of Asthma may be an indication of improved primary care or community health strategies - for example, health education.

It is important to note however, that other factors - such as allergic and climatic responses for example - may influence the number of people hospitalised with Asthma. This condition is one which has a high number of patients treated either in hospital or in the community. It would be expected that hospital admissions for Asthma may decrease as performance and quality of service increases thus indicating an improvement in the quality of life of people with a chronic illness.

The graphs show individuals aged 0-4 and 5-12. Only 1 individual aged 13-18 at a rate of 2.2 per thousand was hospitalised this year, with 1 individual being admitted aged 19-34 at a rate of 0.8 per thousand and with 8 individuals aged 35 years and over at a rate of 2.1 per thousand.

Key Performance Indicators

Data from the Corrigin hospital has been reported as part of an overall Central Wheatbelt Health Service result for this KPI.



Calendar Years 1999 2000 2001

COST PER OCCASION OF SERVICE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE

KPI 1.14

Community health occasions of service measure the provision of primary and community health services undertaken by a range of health service professionals in a community setting, with a focus on improving the overall health of the State population. Child health nursing, clinical psychology, occupational and speech therapy are some examples of the types of community-based services provided under this Indicator. It provides a measure of, on average, how cost effective these activities are over time.

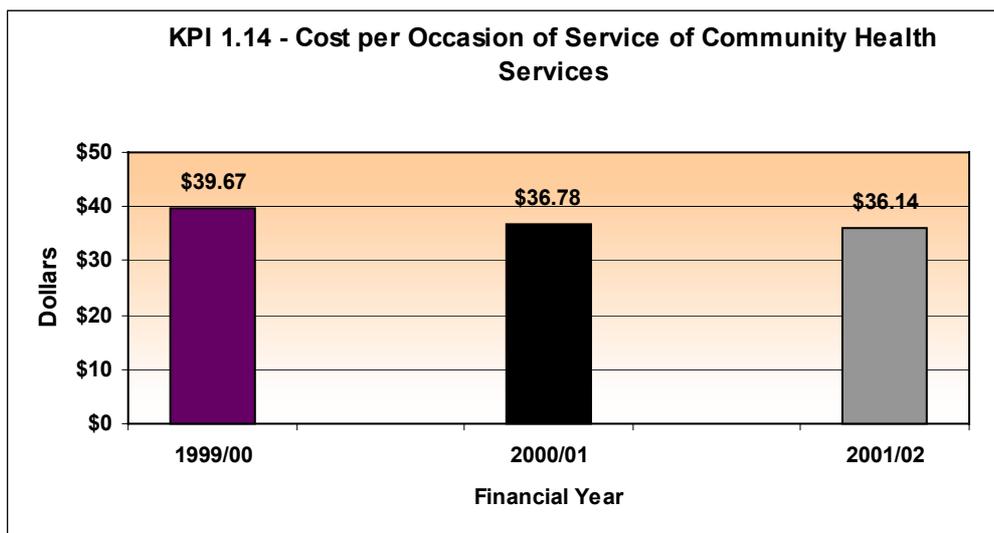
A wide range of interventions by practitioners from many specialties are used, singularly and in combination, to effect changes in the health of individuals, their families and their communities. These interventions are quantified as occasions of service but can cover a wide range of services in terms of time and complexity.

This indicator measures the average cost of an occasion of service for the particular use of programs that each health service provides. Given what has been said above, it is only useful for broad comparisons of trends and must be considered in conjunction with an understanding of current program delivery priorities.

The cost of Community Health Services in the Central Wheatbelt is reported through Quairading Hospital.

NOTE:

- This is the first year that this indicator has been reported. It is expected that over time the collection of Community Health data and the reporting of this indicator will become more refined.
- The figures used to calculate the cost per community occasion of service were based on 6 months (July to December 2001) expenditure and activity data.



CLIENT SATISFACTION

KPI 2.2

This indicator is a measurement of how clients have rated the personal care and the way services are provided by hospitals and other health services.

Favourable satisfaction ratings have been associated with favourable health outcomes. In addition, if patients' perception of health service provision are favourable they will be more likely to seek timely help, assistance or treatment.

Corrigin District Hospital reported an overall satisfaction score of 80 for emergency patients and 82 for outpatients with a standard error of 3.83 and 2.36 respectively on a confidence interval of 95%. The estimated populations of individuals surveyed were 609 Emergency Services patients and 402 Outpatients.

The table below shows the response rate by patient type.

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRES			
PATIENT TYPE	NUMBER SENT	NUMBER RETURNED	RESPONSE RATE
Emergency Patients	52	29	56%
Outpatients	42	27	64%

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WAITING TIMES

KPI 2.18

Access to health services must be provided on the basis of clinical need and if a hospital has large numbers of patients waiting longer than the accepted standards, or transfers a significant percentage of those patients to another facility, it may be that there are “gaps” in its ability to provide emergency services. This may reflect sub-optimal practices, under-resourcing and/or poor recognition of the need for hospital and community services.

In smaller rural communities in Western Australia, medical services are predominantly provided by solo or small group medical practices. In these areas standards for availability and provision of services applicable to larger towns and cities may not be met due to the heavy demand for services and due to periods of time when the GP is not in the town.

Furthermore, in small health care units, measuring waiting times has either not been regularly performed or the information systems in place collectively pool the data for all health care professionals attending patients in each of the triage categories.

When patients first enter an Emergency Department, they are assessed by nursing staff and allocated a triage code between 1 and 5 that indicates their urgency. This code provides an indication of how quickly patients should be reviewed by medical staff. In rural areas however, where a medical practitioner is not available (eg; GP out of town etc), timely review by Nursing staff should be measured (and clearly documented in the explanatory notes).

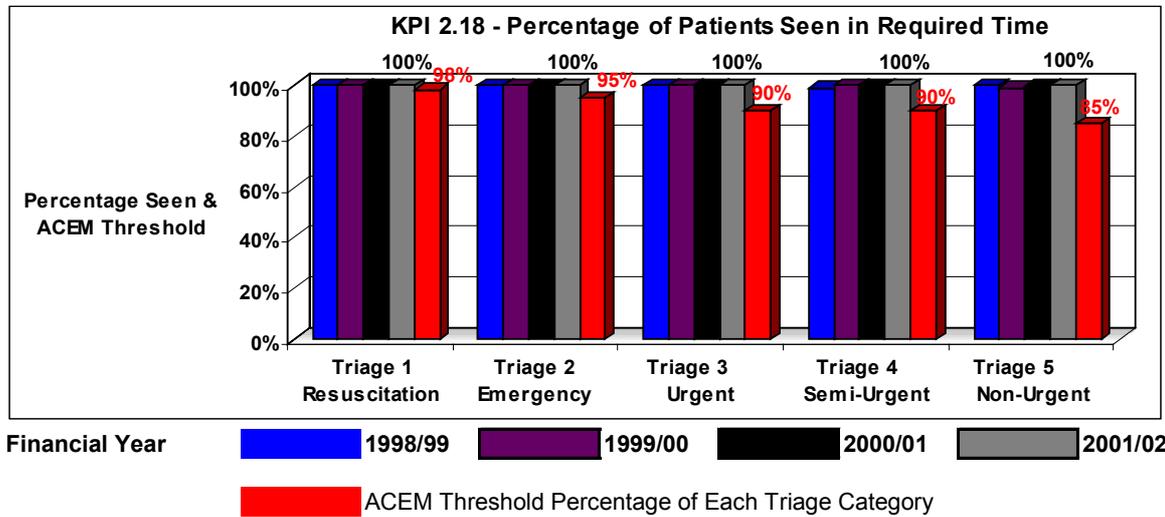
Data relevant to this indicator should be linked to data on the transfer of patients to other health care units, for example, larger hospitals and tertiary metropolitan centres.

This indicator assesses what percentage of patients in each triage category were seen within the time periods recommended by the Australasian College for Emergency Medicine (ACEM) – in rural areas, this may include for example, telephone advice given by GP.

TRIAGE CATEGORY	TYPE OF PATIENT	REQUIRED TIME TO BE FIRST SEEN (By Practitioner)	ACEM THRESHOLD FOR PERCENTAGE SEEN WITHIN REQUIRED TIME
Triage 1	Resuscitation	Immediately	98%
Triage 2	Emergency	Within 10 Minutes	95%
Triage 3	Urgent	Within 30 Minutes	90%
Triage 4	Semi-Urgent	Within 60 Minutes	90%
Triage 5	Non-Urgent	Within 120 Minutes	85%

Key Performance Indicators

Corrigin District Hospital is above the ACEM threshold for emergency departments waiting times across all triage codes.



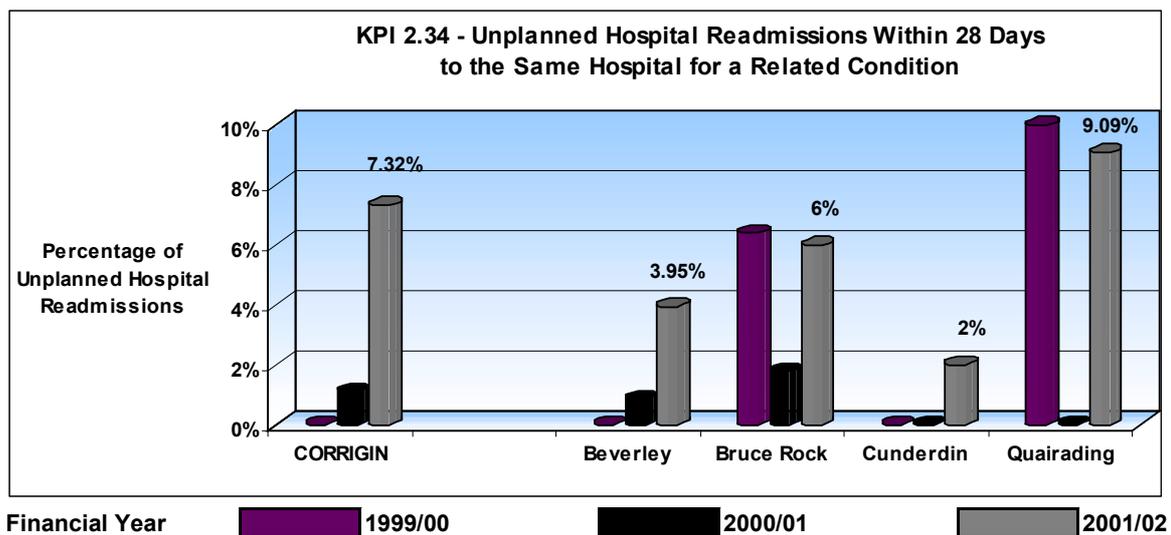
UNPLANNED HOSPITAL READMISSIONS WITHIN 28 DAYS TO THE SAME HOSPITAL FOR A RELATED CONDITION

KPI 2.34

Good medical and/or surgical intervention together with good discharge planning will decrease the likelihood of unplanned hospital readmissions. Unplanned readmissions necessitate patients spending additional periods of time in hospital as well as utilising additional hospital resources.

A low unplanned readmission rate suggests that good clinical practice is in operation. Although there are some conditions which may require numerous admissions to enable the best level of care to be given, in most of these cases readmission to hospital would be planned.

For 2001/2002 data has been derived from a three-month sample. In previous years this indicator has counted all cases for a full financial year. For hospitals the size of those in the Central Wheatbelt Health Service this can mean a significant variance from previous years' results due to the very small sample size and possible seasonal variations.



**UNPLANNED HOSPITAL READMISSIONS WITHIN 28 DAYS TO
THE SAME HOSPITAL FOR TREATMENT AND CARE FOR A
RELATED MENTAL HEALTH ILLNESS**

KPI 2.35

Readmissions to hospital within 28 days is an indicator of the effectiveness of hospital treatment and discharge planning, but may also reflect post-discharge treatment and care. The treatment and care needs of different age groups may be quite different. Readmission rates for these different age groups may provide a measure of the effectiveness of services in addressing these needs.

A low unplanned readmission rate suggests that good clinical practice is in operation. Although there are some conditions, which may require numerous admissions to enable the best level of care to be given, in most of these cases readmission to hospital would be planned.

No unplanned readmissions were reported at Corrigin District Hospital.

AVERAGE COST PER CASEMIX ADJUSTED SEPARATION FOR RURAL NON-TEACHING HOSPITALS

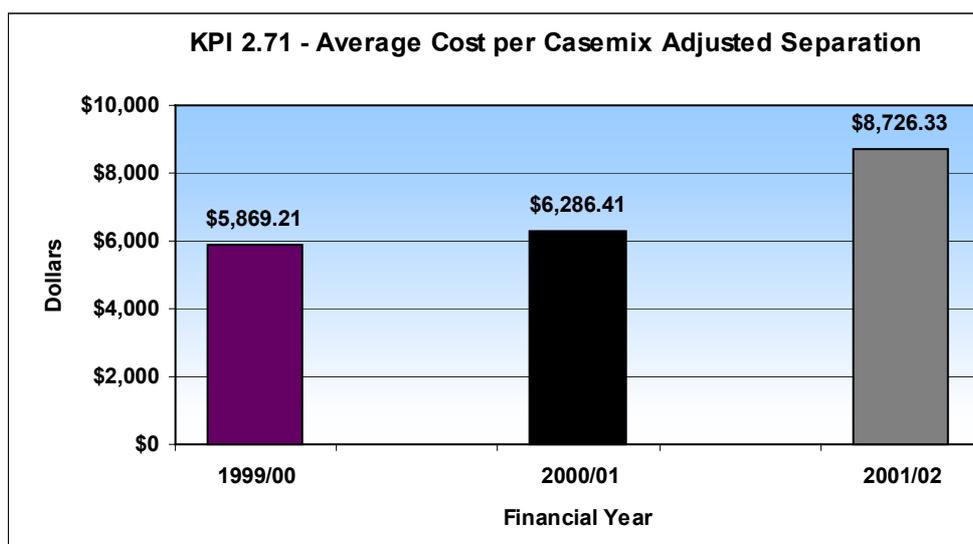
KPI 2.71

The use of casemix in hospitals is a recognised methodology for adjusting actual activity data to reflect the complexity of service provision and the use of resources. Hence the number of separations in a hospital may be adjusted from an actual number of 50,000 to 60,000 by a casemix index of 1.2 to reflect that very complex services have been provided. In Australia, hospitals utilise the Australian Diagnostic Related Groups (AN-DRGs) Version 4.2 to which cost weights are allocated. In Western Australia, cost weight allocations utilise scaled central episodes.

The use of a casemix index together with expenditure data allows a reasonable comparison between hospitals on the efficient use of resources in providing inpatient services.

This indicator measures the average cost of a casemix-adjusted separation.

It is important to note that in hospitals this size there is a significant cost in maintaining minimum staffing levels. The average cost per separation is variable depending upon the number of separations.



AVERAGE COST PER NON-IMPATIENT OCCASION OF SERVICE

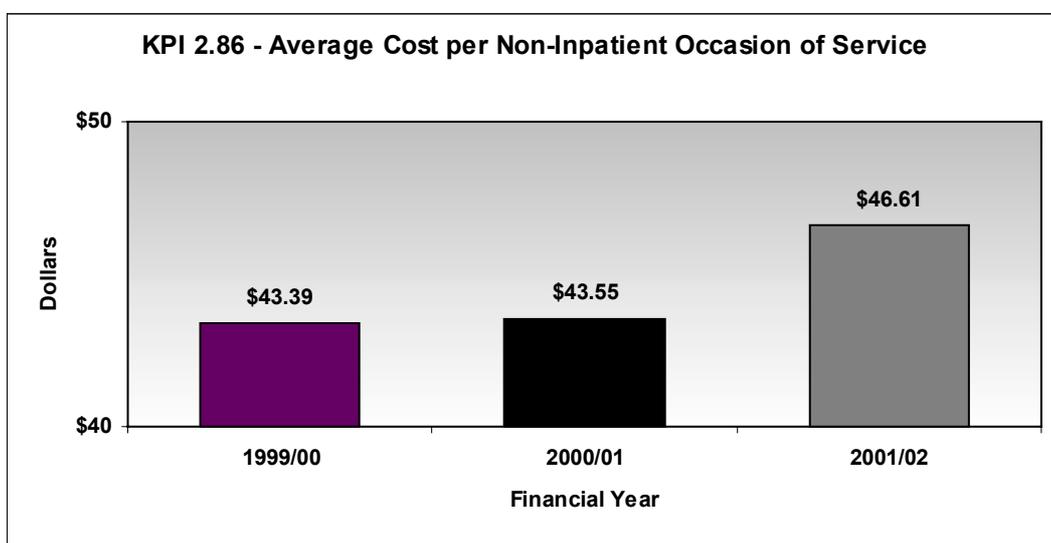
KPI 2.86

The effective use of hospital resources can help minimise the overall costs of providing health care or can provide for more patients to be treated for the same cost.

Excessive costs in providing non-inpatient services compared to other hospitals may indicate the inefficient use of resources.

This indicator measures the average cost per non-inpatient occasion of service.

It is important to note that in hospitals this size there is a significant cost in maintaining minimum staffing levels. The average cost per occasion is variable depending upon the number of occasions.



KPI 3.7 : Hospital separations for Asthma

Hospitalisation for acute Asthma is part of managing chronic conditions. The indicator has been moved to Output 1 from Output 3 in order to highlight the focus on measuring the effectiveness of Prevention and Promotion services for the condition.

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WITHIN TARGETED AGE GROUPS ADMITTED AS A NURSING HOME TYPE PATIENT	KPI 3.5
AVERAGE COST PER NURSING HOME TYPE PATIENT BED DAY	KPI 3.10

Number of Individuals Admitted as a Nursing Home Type Patient

Some people with chronic illness and disability who are not able to be cared for at home even with regular respite care and/or with the support services provided by Home and Community Care (HACC), may need long-term residential care. This care is provided in an acute hospital where beds/funds have been allocated for this type of long-term residential care.

A Nursing Home Type Patient (NHTP) is an individual who because of a need for 24-hour medical and nursing supervision and/or services, requires long-term residential care. The aim of the services and care is not only to allow the individual to maintain the greatest possible level of independence at the best possible level of health that can be practically achieved, but that these services and care are provided in a home-like environment.

This indicator measures the extent to which people within the targeted age groups are admitted as a Nursing Home Type Patient. The number of individuals within the targeted age group, i.e. over 70 years for non Aboriginal patients and over 50 years for Aboriginal patients, is measured against the total population in the catchment area. This shows the proportion of the eligible population that receives Nursing Home Type care in the Health Service.

Due to the very small data size no relevant conclusions to be drawn. There were six Nursing Home Patients in hospital on 1st July 2001. There were two new admissions during the year with an average bed day of 4.7.

Average Cost per Nursing Home Type Patient Bed Day

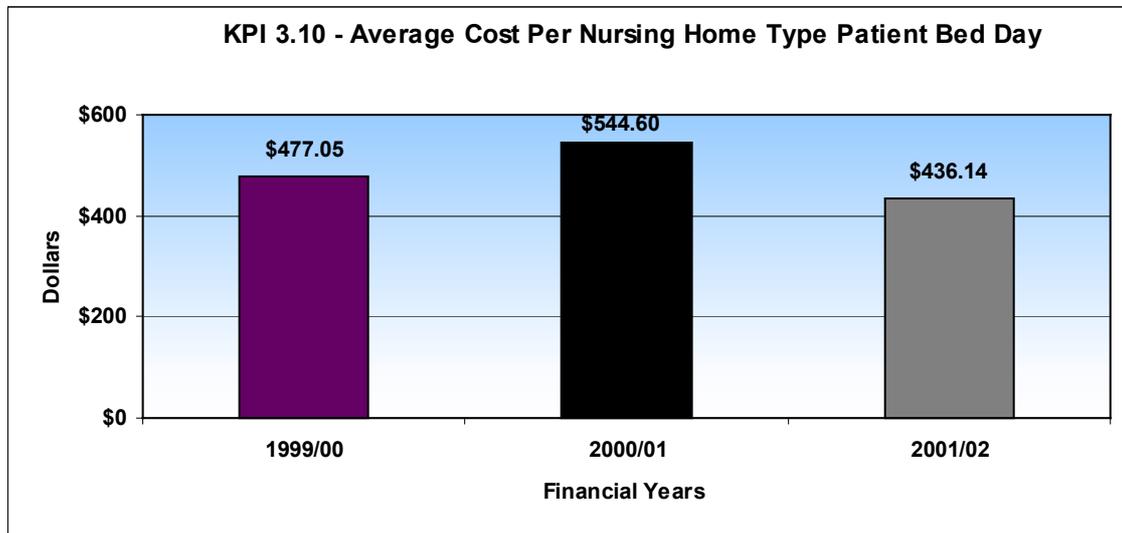
A Nursing Home Type Patient (NHTP) is an individual who because of a need for 24-hour medical and nursing supervision and/or services, requires long-term residential care. This indicator measures the cost per Nursing Home Type Patient bed day.

The effective use of hospital resources can help to minimise the overall cost of providing health care or can provide for more patients to be treated at the same cost. Higher costs in providing care for Nursing Home Type Patients compared to providing the same service in another health service may indicate the inefficient use of resources.

In hospitals of this size there is a significant cost in maintaining minimum staffing levels whether Nursing Home Type Patient bed days increase or decrease.

Key Performance Indicators

NB: This is the first year this KPI has been reported. Over time, the indicator will be refined so that there is clearer differentiation between the cost of the different care types treated within hospitals.



NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WITHIN TARGETED AGE GROUP ADMITTED FOR RESPITE CARE

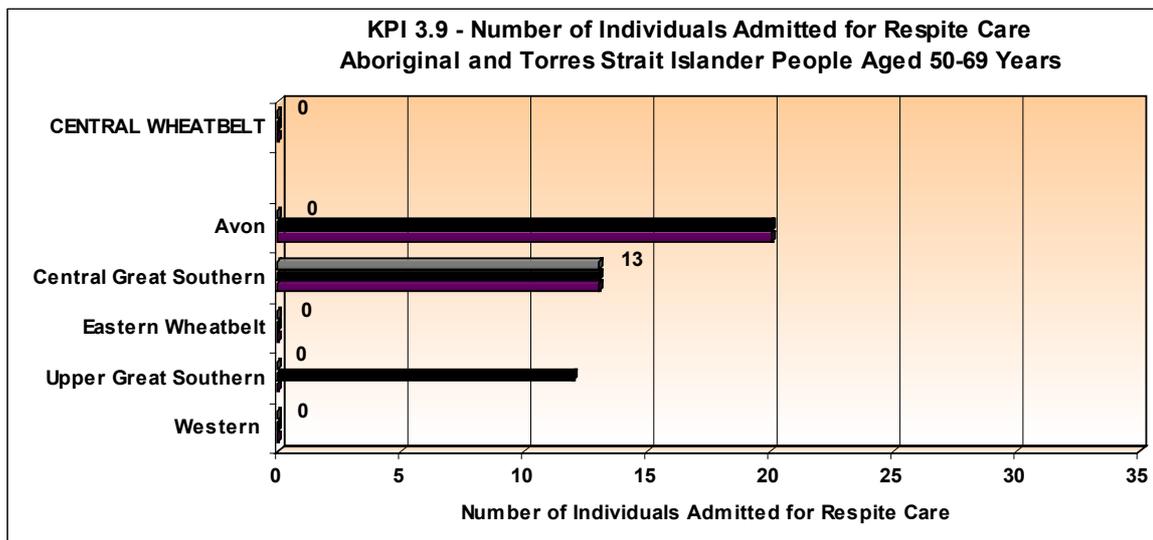
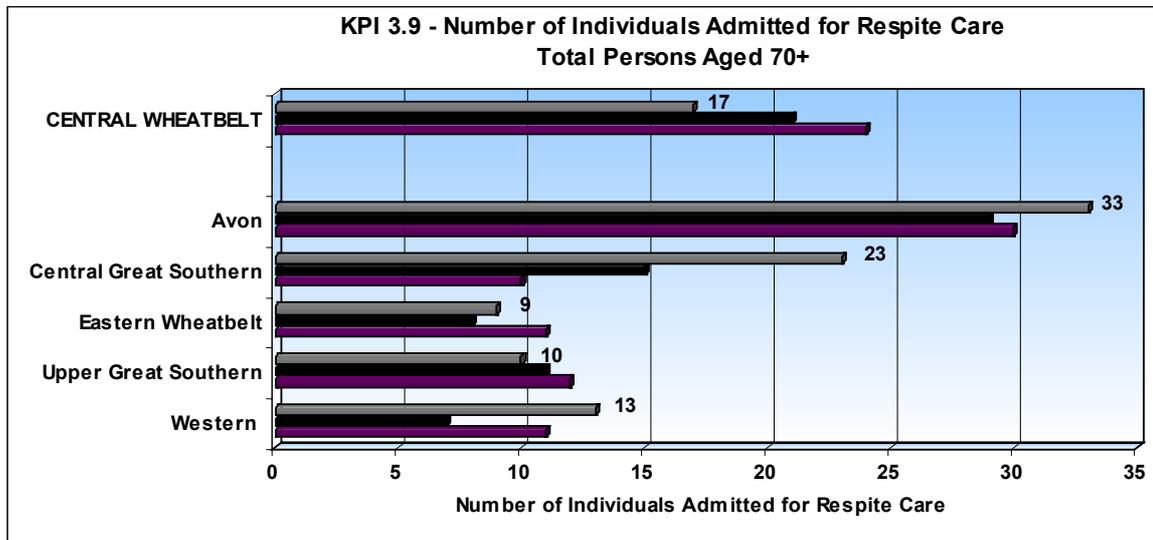
KPI 3.9

Some people with chronic illness and disability are cared for at home or in a family member's home with the support of local community services including Home & Community Care (HACC). To enable the carer to have a break from the continual carer role, short-term care may be provided in country facilities. This short-term (or Respite) care may be provided on a planned (and sometimes on an emergency) basis for day(s) or night(s) to enable the carer to have a break. Without access to this type of service more people with chronic illness may require permanent Nursing Home Type Care earlier.

The number of individuals within the targeted age group, ie. over 70 years for non Aboriginal patients and over 50 years for Aboriginal patients, is measured against the total population in the catchment area. This shows the proportion of the eligible population that receives Respite Care in the Health Service.

Key Performance Indicators

Due to the very small data size it is difficult to reach any meaningful conclusions.



Financial Year 1999/00 2000/01 2001/02



AUDITOR GENERAL

To the Parliament of Western Australia

**CORRIGIN DISTRICT HOSPITAL BOARD
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002**

Scope

I have audited the accounts and financial statements of the Corrigin District Hospital Board for the year ended June 30, 2002 under the provisions of the Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985.

The Board was responsible for keeping proper accounts and maintaining adequate systems of internal control, preparing and presenting the financial statements, and complying with the Act and other relevant written law. The primary responsibility for the detection, investigation and prevention of irregularities rests with the Board.

My audit was performed in accordance with section 79 of the Act to form an opinion based on a reasonable level of assurance. The audit procedures included examining, on a test basis, the controls exercised by the Board to ensure financial regularity in accordance with legislative provisions, evidence to provide reasonable assurance that the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements are free of material misstatement and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia and the Treasurer's Instructions so as to present a view which is consistent with my understanding of the Board's financial position, its financial performance and its cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed below has been formed on the above basis.

Corrigin District Hospital Board
Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2002

Audit Opinion

In my opinion,

- (i) the controls exercised by the Corrigin District Hospital Board provide reasonable assurance that the receipt, expenditure and investment of moneys and the acquisition and disposal of property and the incurring of liabilities have been in accordance with legislative provisions; and
- (ii) the Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Cash Flows and the Notes to and forming part of the financial statements are based on proper accounts and present fairly in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia and the Treasurer's Instructions, the financial position of the Board at June 30, 2002 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended.

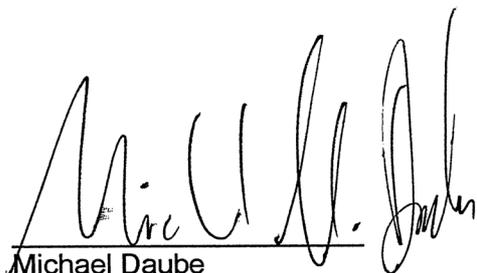


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AUDITOR GENERAL
March 14, 2003

CERTIFICATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2002

The accompanying financial statements of the Corrigin District Hospital Board have been prepared in compliance with the provisions of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985* from proper accounts and records to present fairly the financial transactions for the twelve months ending 30 June 2002 and the financial position as at 30 June 2002.

At the date of signing, we are not aware of any circumstances which would render the particulars included in the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.



Michael Daube
**Director General of Health
Accountable Authority for
Corrigin District Hospital
Board**

30 August 2002



Alex Kirkwood
**Principal Accounting Officer
Corrigin District Hospital
Board**

30 August 2002

Statement of Financial Performance

For the year ended 30 June 2002

	Note	2001/02 \$	2000/01 \$
COST OF SERVICES			
Expenses from Ordinary Activities			
Employee expenses		912,220	925,804
Fees for visiting medical practitioners		38,685	42,236
Superannuation expense		81,513	62,006
Patient support costs	3	141,394	162,127
Patient transport costs		21,220	24,830
Repairs, maintenance and consumable equipment expense		80,248	40,310
Depreciation expense	4	66,228	58,850
Net loss on disposal of non-current assets	5	1,898	-
Capital user charge	6	132,953	-
Other expenses from ordinary activities	7	73,744	96,953
Total cost of services		1,550,103	1,413,116
Revenues from Ordinary Activities			
Patient charges	8	188,607	145,737
Donations revenue	9	11,044	6,013
Interest revenue		1,172	4,790
Other revenues from ordinary activities	10	32,893	26,249
Total revenues from ordinary activities		233,716	182,789
NET COST OF SERVICES		1,316,387	1,230,327
Revenues from Government			
Output appropriations	11	1,348,458	1,045,000
Capital appropriations	11	-	160,820
Liabilities assumed by the Treasurer	12	-	62,006
Resources received free of charge	13	6,000	5,250
Total revenues from government		1,354,458	1,273,076
Change in net assets		38,071	42,749
Total changes in equity other than those resulting from transactions with WA State Government as owners		38,071	42,749

The Statement of Financial Performance should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

Statement of Financial Position

As at 30th June 2002

	Note	2001/02 \$	2000/01 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash assets	14	45,954	28,707
Receivables	15	6,543	17,703
Total current assets		52,497	46,410
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Amounts receivable for outputs	16	62,000	-
Property, plant and equipment	17	1,896,912	1,805,780
Total non-current assets		1,958,912	1,805,780
Total assets		2,011,409	1,852,190
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables		19,456	52,257
Accrued salaries	18	40,271	39,941
Provisions	19	199,364	187,046
Total current liabilities		259,091	279,244
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provisions	19	34,881	30,780
Total non-current liabilities		34,881	30,780
Total liabilities		293,972	310,024
Net Assets		1,717,437	1,542,166
EQUITY			
Contributed equity	20	137,200	-
Asset revaluation reserve	21	7,463	7,463
Accumulated surplus	22	1,572,774	1,534,703
Total Equity		1,717,437	1,542,166

The Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 30 June 2002

	Note	2001/02 \$ Inflows (Outflows)	2000/01 \$ Inflows (Outflows)
CASH FLOWS FROM GOVERNMENT			
Output appropriations	23(c)	1,153,505	1,045,000
Net cash provided by Government		<u>1,153,505</u>	<u>1,045,000</u>
Utilised as follows:			
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Payments			
Supplies and services		(458,612)	(329,413)
Employee costs		(896,856)	(881,494)
GST payments on purchases		(26,707)	(20,673)
Receipts			
Receipts from customers		195,653	143,799
Donations		11,044	6,013
Interest received		1,172	4,790
GST receipts on sales		20,905	14,133
GST receipts from taxation authority		5,285	5,984
Other receipts		33,916	26,778
Net cash used in operating activities	23(b)	<u>(1,114,200)</u>	<u>(1,030,083)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for purchase of non-current assets	17	(22,058)	(1,909)
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(22,058)</u>	<u>(1,909)</u>
Net increase in cash held		17,247	13,008
Cash assets at the beginning of the reporting period		28,707	15,699
Cash assets at the end of the reporting period	23(a)	<u><u>45,954</u></u>	<u><u>28,707</u></u>

The Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2002

Note 1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of the financial statements. Unless otherwise stated these policies are consistent with those adopted in the previous year.

(a) General Statement

The financial statements constitute a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Statements of Accounting Concepts and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, and Urgent Issues Group (UIG) Consensus Views as applied by the Treasurer's Instructions. Several of these are modified by the Treasurer's Instructions to vary application, disclosure, format and wording. The Financial Administration and Audit Act and the Treasurer's Instructions are legislative provisions governing the preparation of financial statements and take precedence over Australian Accounting Standards, Statements of Accounting Concepts and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, and UIG Consensus Views. The modifications are intended to fulfil the requirements of general application to the public sector, together with the need for greater disclosure and also to satisfy accountability requirements.

If any such modification has a material or significant financial effect upon the reported results, details of that modification and where practicable, the resulting financial effect are disclosed in individual notes to these financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting using the historical cost convention, except for certain assets and liabilities which, as noted, are measured at valuation.

(b) Output Appropriations

Output Appropriations are recognised as revenues in the period in which the Health Service gains control of the appropriated funds. The Health Service gains control of appropriated funds at the time those funds are deposited into the Health Service's bank account or credited to the holding account held at the Department of Treasury and Finance.

(c) Contributed Equity

Under UIG 38 "Contributions by Owners Made to Wholly-Owned Public Sector Entities", transfers in the nature of equity contributions must be designated by the Government (owners) as contributions by owners (at the time of, or prior to transfer) before such transfers can be recognised as equity contributions in the financial statements. Capital contributions (appropriations) have been designated as contributions by owners and have been credited directly to Contributed Equity in the Statement of Financial Position. All other transfers have been recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance. Prior to the current reporting period, capital appropriations were recognised as revenue in the Statement of Financial Performance. Capital appropriations which are repayable to the Treasurer are recognised as liabilities.

(d) Acquisition of Assets

The cost method of accounting is used for all acquisitions of assets. Cost is measured as the fair value of the assets given up or liabilities undertaken at the date of acquisition plus incidental costs directly attributable to the acquisition.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, are initially recognised at their fair value at the date of acquisition.

(e) Valuation of Non-Current Assets

The Health Service has applied the transitional provisions in AASB 1041 "Revaluation of Non-Current Assets" for land and buildings, and as a consequence assets are reported at cost, valuation and fair value. Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

i) Land and Non-Clinical Buildings

The revaluations of land and non-clinical buildings have been undertaken by the Valuer General's Office in Western Australia, on the following bases:

Land (clinical site)	Market value for Current use
Land (non-clinical site)	Market value for Highest and best use
Buildings (non-clinical)	Market value for Highest and best use

Recent valuations on this basis are equivalent to fair value.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2002

ii) Clinical Buildings

The valuations of clinical buildings (eg hospitals) have been carried out at five yearly intervals by the Department of Health in conjunction with the Department of Housing and Works using "as constructed" drawings. The clinical buildings are valued at "Replacement Capital Value", which is defined as the cost to replace buildings constructed at current building costs with current materials on a greenfield site. All building costs are Perth based and include elements of electrical, mechanical and plumbing services. Loose and free standing furniture and equipment together with specialised medical equipment are excluded from this valuation. Buildings are depreciated using weighted average age to determine the net carrying values. Recent valuations on this basis are equivalent to fair value.

(f) Depreciation of Non-current Assets

All non-current assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner that reflects the consumption of their future economic benefits.

Depreciation is calculated on the reducing balance basis, using rates which are reviewed annually. Useful lives for each class of depreciable assets are:

Buildings	50 years
Computer equipment	5 to 15 years
Furniture and fittings	5 to 50 years
Other plant and equipment	4 to 50 years

(g) Leases

The Health Service has no contractual obligations under finance leases.

(h) Cash

For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash assets and restricted cash assets. These include short-term deposits that are readily convertible to cash on hand and are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

(i) Receivables

Receivables are recognised at the amounts receivable as they are due for settlement no more than 30 days from the date of recognition.

Collectability of receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectable are written off. A provision for doubtful debts is raised where some doubts as to collection exists.

(j) Payables

Payables, including accruals not yet billed, are recognised when the Health Service becomes obliged to make future payments as a result of a purchase of assets or services. Payables are generally settled within 30 days.

(k) Accrued Salaries

Accrued salaries represent the amount due to staff but unpaid at the end of the financial year, as the end of the last pay period for that financial year does not coincide with the end of the financial year. The Health Service considers the carrying amount approximates net fair value.

(l) Provisions

Employee Entitlements

i) Annual and Long Service Leave

The liability for annual leave represents the amount which the Health Service has a present obligation to pay resulting from employees' services up to the reporting date. The liability has been calculated on current remuneration rates and includes related on-costs.

The liability for long service leave is recognised, and is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Consideration is given, when assessing expected future payments, to expected future wage and salary levels including related on-costs, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using interest rates on national government securities to obtain the estimated future cash outflows.

The methods of measurement of the liabilities are consistent with the requirements of Australian Accounting Standard AAS 30 "Accounting for Employee Entitlements".

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2002

ii) Superannuation

Staff may contribute to the Pension Scheme, a defined benefits pension scheme now closed to new members, or to the Gold State Superannuation Scheme, a defined benefit lump sum scheme now also closed to new members. All staff who do not contribute to either of these schemes become non-contributory members of the West State Superannuation Scheme, an accumulation fund complying with the Commonwealth Government's Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992. All of these schemes are administered by the Government Employees Superannuation Board (GESB).

The unfunded employer's liability in respect of the pre-transfer benefit for employees who transferred from the Pension Scheme to the Gold State Superannuation Scheme is assumed by the Treasurer. A revenue "Liabilities assumed by the Treasurer" equivalent to the change in this unfunded liability is recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance.

From 1 July 2001 employer contributions were paid to the GESB in respect of the Gold State Superannuation Scheme and West State Superannuation Scheme. Prior to 1 July 2001, the unfunded liability in respect of these schemes was assumed by the Treasurer. An amount equivalent to the employer contributions which would have been paid to the Gold State Superannuation Scheme and the West State Superannuation Scheme if the Health Service had made concurrent employer contributions to those schemes, was included in superannuation expense. This amount was also included in the revenue item "Liabilities assumed by the Treasurer".

The note disclosure required by paragraph 51(e) of AAS30 (being the employer's share of the difference between employees' accrued superannuation benefits and the attributable net market value of plan assets) has not been provided. State scheme deficiencies are recognised by the State in its whole of government reporting. The GESB's records are not structured to provide the information for the Health Service. Accordingly, deriving the information for the Health Service is impractical under current arrangements, and thus any benefits thereof would be exceeded by the cost of obtaining the information.

(m) Revenue Recognition

Revenue from the sale of goods, disposal of other assets and the rendering of services, is recognised when the Health Service has passed control of the goods or other assets or has delivered the services to the customer.

(n) Grants and Other Contributions Revenue

Grants, donations, gifts and other non-reciprocal contributions are recognised as revenue when the Health Service obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions. Control is normally obtained upon their receipt.

Contributions are recognised at their fair value. Contributions of services are only recognised when a fair value can be reliably determined and the services would be purchased if not donated.

(o) Resources Received Free of Charge or For Nominal Value

Resources received free of charge or for nominal value which can be reliably measured are recognised as revenues and as assets or expenses as appropriate at fair value.

(p) Comparative Figures

Comparative figures are, where appropriate, reclassified so as to be comparable with the figures presented in the current reporting period.

Note 2 Administered trust accounts	2001/02	2000/01
	\$	\$
Funds held in these trust accounts are not controlled by the Health Service and are therefore not recognised in the financial statements.		
The Health Service administers a trust account for the purpose of holding patients' private moneys.		
A summary of the transactions for this trust account is as follows:		
Opening Balance	216	366
Add Receipts		
- Patient Deposits	1,150	440
	<hr/> 1,366	<hr/> 806
Less Payments		
- Patient Withdrawals	932	590
Closing Balance	<hr/> 434	<hr/> 216

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2002

	2001/02	2000/01
	\$	\$
Note 3 Patient support costs		
Medical supplies and services	26,903	27,720
Domestic charges	15,564	33,520
Fuel, light and power	34,748	38,018
Food supplies	59,842	57,194
Purchase of external services	4,337	5,675
	<u>141,394</u>	<u>162,127</u>
Note 4 Depreciation expense		
Buildings	50,764	47,911
Computer equipment and software	1,901	1,123
Furniture and fittings	2,267	2,522
Other plant and equipment	11,296	7,294
	<u>66,228</u>	<u>58,850</u>
Note 5 Net loss on disposal of non-current assets		
Loss on disposal of non-current assets:		
Computer equipment and software	(991)	-
Other plant and equipment	(907)	-
	<u>(1,898)</u>	<u>-</u>
Note 6 Capital user charge		
	<u>132,953</u>	<u>-</u>
<p>A capital user charge rate of 8% has been set by the Government for 2001/02 and represents the opportunity cost of capital invested in the net assets of the Health Service used in the provision of outputs. The charge is calculated on the net assets adjusted to take account of exempt assets. Payments are made to the Department of Treasury and Finance on a quarterly basis by the Department of Health on behalf of the Health Service.</p>		
Note 7 Other expenses from ordinary activities		
Workers compensation insurance	17,295	25,058
Other employee expenses	1,809	3,817
Motor vehicle expenses	10,213	13,314
Insurance	6,753	6,953
Communications	12,192	22,268
Printing and stationery	3,711	2,737
Audit fees - external	6,000	5,250
Other	15,771	17,556
	<u>73,744</u>	<u>96,953</u>
Note 8 Patient charges		
Inpatient charges	186,922	144,961
Outpatient charges	1,685	776
	<u>188,607</u>	<u>145,737</u>
Note 9 Donations revenue		
General public contributions	<u>11,044</u>	<u>6,013</u>
Note 10 Other revenues from ordinary activities		
Rent from properties	1,855	1,820
Recoveries	29,693	22,478
Use of hospital facilities	1,163	1,216
Other	182	735
	<u>32,893</u>	<u>26,249</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2002

Note 11 Government appropriations	2001/02	2000/01
	\$	\$
Output appropriations (I)	1,348,458	1,045,000
Capital appropriations (II)	-	160,820
	<u>1,348,458</u>	<u>1,205,820</u>

(I) Output appropriations are accrual amounts as from 1 July 2001, reflecting the full price paid for outputs purchased by the Government. The appropriation revenue comprises a cash component and a receivable (asset). The receivable (holding account) comprises the estimated depreciation expense for the year and any agreed increase in leave liability during the year.

(II) Capital appropriations were revenue in 2000/01 (year ended 30 June 2001). From 1 July 2001, capital appropriations, termed Capital Contributions, have been designated as contributions by owners and are credited directly to equity in the Statement of Financial Position.

Note 12 Liabilities assumed by the Treasurer

The change in funding arrangement for the Gold State Superannuation Scheme and the West State Superannuation Scheme has resulted in the decrease in "Liabilities assumed by Treasurer". (Refer note 1(n)(ii)).

Superannuation	-	<u>62,006</u>
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Note 13 Resources received free of charge

Resources received free of charge has been determined on the basis of the following estimates provided by agencies.

Office of the Auditor General		
- Audit services	<u>6,000</u>	<u>5,250</u>

Where assets or services have been received free of charge or for nominal consideration, the Health Service recognises revenues equivalent to the fair value of the assets and/or the fair value of those services that can be reliably determined and which would have been purchased if not donated, and those fair values shall be recognised as assets or expenses, as applicable.

Note 14 Cash assets

Cash on hand	300	300
Cash at bank - general	12,969	8,586
Cash at bank - donations	<u>32,685</u>	<u>19,821</u>
	<u>45,954</u>	<u>28,707</u>

Note 15 Receivables

Patient fee debtors	3,466	10,512
GST receivable	1,086	3,691
Other receivables	<u>1,991</u>	<u>3,500</u>
	<u>6,543</u>	<u>17,703</u>

Note 16 Amounts receivable for outputs

Non-current	<u>62,000</u>	-
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This asset represents the non-cash component of output appropriations. It is restricted in that it can only be used for asset replacement or payment of leave liability.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2002

Note 17 Property, plant and equipment	2001/02	2000/01
	\$	\$
Land		
At fair value (I)	<u>33,000</u>	<u>33,000</u>
	33,000	33,000
Buildings		
<u>Clinical:</u>		
At valuation - 1998 (I)	3,835,300	3,835,300
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,478,225)</u>	<u>(2,427,461)</u>
	1,357,075	1,407,839
<u>Non-Clinical:</u>		
At cost	<u>404,110</u>	<u>266,910</u>
	404,110	266,910
Computer equipment and software		
At cost	10,820	13,629
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(5,138)</u>	<u>(8,981)</u>
	5,682	4,648
Furniture and fittings		
At cost	45,170	45,170
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(25,241)</u>	<u>(22,974)</u>
	19,929	22,196
Other plant and equipment		
At cost	148,367	136,185
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(71,251)</u>	<u>(64,998)</u>
	77,116	71,187
Total of property, plant and equipment	<u>1,896,912</u>	<u>1,805,780</u>

Land and buildings

(i) Land, clinical buildings and non-clinical buildings are yet to be revalued at fair value.

Payments for non-current assets

Payments were made for purchases of non-current assets during the reporting period as follows:

Paid as cash by the Health Service from output appropriations	22,058	1,909
Paid by the Department of Health	<u>137,200</u>	<u>160,820</u>
Gross payments for purchases of non-current assets	<u>159,258</u>	<u>162,729</u>

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment at the beginning and end of the current financial year are set out below.

	2001/02
	\$
Land	
Carrying amount at start of year	<u>33,000</u>
Carrying amount at end of year	<u>33,000</u>
Buildings	
Carrying amount at start of year	1,674,749
Additions	137,200
Depreciation	<u>(50,764)</u>
Carrying amount at end of year	<u>1,761,185</u>
Computer equipment and software	
Carrying amount at start of year	4,648
Additions	2,935
Depreciation	<u>(1,901)</u>
Carrying amount at end of year	<u>5,682</u>
Furniture and fittings	
Carrying amount at start of year	22,196
Depreciation	<u>(2,267)</u>
Carrying amount at end of year	<u>19,929</u>
Other plant and equipment	
Carrying amount at start of year	71,187
Additions	17,225
Depreciation	<u>(11,296)</u>
Carrying amount at end of year	<u>77,116</u>

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Note 18 Accrued salaries	2001/02	2000/01
	\$	\$
Amounts owing for:	40,271	39,941
Shift Workers		
14 calendar days from 17 June to 30 June 2002		
13 calendar days from 18 June to 30 June 2001		
Non-shift Workers		
14 calendar days from 17 June to 30 June 2002		
10 Working days from 18 June to 30 June 2001		

Note 19 Provisions

Current liabilities:		
Annual leave	143,642	130,782
Long service leave	55,722	56,264
	<u>199,364</u>	<u>187,046</u>
Non-current liabilities:		
Long service leave	34,881	30,780
	<u>34,881</u>	<u>30,780</u>
 Total employee entitlements	 <u>234,245</u>	 <u>217,826</u>

The superannuation liability has been established from data supplied by the Government Employees Superannuation Board.

The Health Service considers the carrying amount of employee entitlements approximates the net fair value.

Note 20 Contributed equity

Balance at beginning of the year	-	-
Capital contributions (i)	137,200	-
Balance at end of the year	<u>137,200</u>	<u>-</u>

(i) From 1 July 2001, capital appropriations, termed Capital Contributions, have been designated as contributions by owners and are credited directly to equity in the Statement of Financial Position.

Note 21 Asset revaluation reserve

Balance at beginning of the year	7,463	7,463
Balance at end of the year	<u>7,463</u>	<u>7,463</u>

Note 22 Accumulated surplus

Balance at beginning of the year	1,534,703	1,491,954
Change in net assets	38,071	42,749
Balance at end of the year	<u>1,572,774</u>	<u>1,534,703</u>

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Note 23 Notes to the statement of cash flows	2001/02	2000/01
	\$	\$
a) Reconciliation of cash		
Cash assets at the end of the reporting period as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:		
Cash assets (Refer note 14)	45,954	28,707
b) Reconciliation of net cash flows used in operating activities to net cost of services		
Net cash used in operating activities (Statement of Cash Flows)	(1,114,200)	(1,030,083)
Increase / (decrease) in assets:		
GST receivable	(2,605)	3,645
Other receivables	(8,555)	1,185
Prepayments	-	(60)
Decrease / (increase) in liabilities:		
Payables	32,801	(34,945)
Accrued salaries	(330)	(8,012)
Provisions	(16,419)	(35,951)
Non-cash items:		
Depreciation expense	(66,228)	(58,850)
Profit / (loss) from disposal of non-current assets	(1,898)	-
Capital user charge paid by Department of Health	(132,953)	-
Superannuation liabilities assumed by the Treasurer	-	(62,006)
Resources received free of charge	(6,000)	(5,250)
Net cost of services (Statement of Financial Performance)	<u>(1,316,387)</u>	<u>(1,230,327)</u>
c) Notional cash flows		
Output appropriations as per Statement of Financial Performance	1,348,458	1,045,000
Capital appropriations as per Statement of Financial Performance	-	160,820
Capital appropriations credited directly to Contributed Equity	137,200	-
	<u>1,485,658</u>	<u>1,205,820</u>
Less notional cash flows:		
Items paid directly by the Department of Health for the Health Service and are therefore not included in the Statement of Cash Flows:		
Capital user charge	(132,953)	-
Capital subsidy	(137,200)	(160,820)
Less non-cash component of output appropriations (Refer Note 16)	<u>(62,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>(332,153)</u>	<u>(160,820)</u>
Net cash provided by Government as per Statement of Cash Flows	<u>1,153,505</u>	<u>1,045,000</u>

Note 24 Remuneration of members of the accountable authority and senior officers

Remuneration of senior officers

The number of Senior Officers (other than members of the Accountable Authority), whose total of fees, salaries, superannuation and other benefits for the reporting period, fall within the following bands are:

	2001/02	2000/01
\$30,001 - \$40,000	1	1
\$60,001 - \$70,000	-	1
\$70,001 - \$80,000	1	-
Total	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	\$	\$
The total remuneration of senior officers is:	<u>106,540</u>	<u>103,095</u>

The superannuation included here represents the superannuation expense incurred by the Health Service in respect of Senior Officers (other than members of the Accountable Authority).

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Note 25 Explanatory statement

a) **Significant variations between actual revenues and expenditures for the financial year and revenues and expenditures for the immediately preceding financial year.**

Details and reasons for significant variations between actual results and the corresponding items of the preceding year are detailed below. Significant variations are considered to be those greater than 10% or \$10,000.

	2001/02 \$	2000/01 \$	Variation \$
Salaries & Wages The main factor responsible for the decrease in Salaries & Wages expense over the reporting period was the effect of a benchmarking exercise in the support services area.	912,220	925,804	(13,584)
Other Goods & Services An increase in Repairs & Maintenance expenditure was offset by significant extensive Painting program was offset by significant reductions in a number of other areas such as Domestic Charges, Communication and Workers Compensation Insurance. Capital User Charge applied for the first time in 2001/2002.	637,883	487,312	150,571
Revenue An increase of \$43,000 in Patient Charges between the two years was the main reason for the variation.	233,716	182,789	50,927

b) **Significant variations between estimates and actual results for the financial year.**

Section 42 of the Financial Administration and Audit Act requires the Health Service to prepare annual budget estimates. Details and reasons for significant variations between these estimates and actual results are detailed below. Significant variations are considered to be those greater than 10% of budget or \$10,000.

	2001/02 Actual \$	2001/02 Estimate \$	Variation \$
Salaries & Wages Whilst the benchmarking exercise that was described above was considered in 2000/2001, the effect was greater than expected.	912,220	968,000	(55,780)
Other Goods & Services Capital User Charge (\$133,000) applied for the first time in 2001/2002. The Painting program and the other Repairs & Maintenance increase was not considered at the time of compiling the Section 42 estimates.	637,883	470,000	167,883
Revenue The increase of \$43,000 in Patient Charges between the two years was not anticipated.	233,716	177,000	56,716

Note 26 Events occurring after reporting date

The Corrigin District Hospital Board will cease to exist as a legal entity as at 1 July 2002. The health service will be amalgamated with other health services to form the WA Country Health Service on 1 July 2002. The amalgamation was gazetted on 28 June 2002.

Note 27 Related bodies

A related body is a body which receives more than half its funding and resources from the Health Service and is subject to operational control by the Health Service. Related bodies are generally government agencies which have no financial administration responsibilities.

The Health Service had no related bodies during the reporting period.

Note 28 Affiliated bodies

An affiliated body is a body which receives more than half its funding and resources from the Health Service and is not subject to operational control by the Health Service. Affiliated bodies are generally non-government agencies, such as charitable, welfare and community interest groups which receive financial support from government.

The Health Service had no affiliated bodies during the reporting period.

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Note 29 Financial instruments

a) Interest rate risk exposure

The following table details the Health Service's exposure to interest rate risk as at the reporting date:

	Weighted average effective interest rate %	Variable interest rate \$000	Less than 1 year \$000	Fixed interest rate maturities 1 to 5 years \$000	Over 5 years \$000	Non interest bearing \$000	Total \$000
As at 30th June 2002							
Financial Assets							
Cash assets	1.0%	46	0	0	0	0	46
Receivables		0	0	0	0	7	7
		46	0	0	0	7	53
Financial Liabilities							
Payables		0	0	0	0	19	19
Accruals		0	0	0	0	40	40
Provisions		0	0	0	0	234	234
		0	0	0	0	293	293
Net financial assets / (liabilities)		46	0	0	0	(286)	(240)
As at 30th June 2001							
Financial Assets							
Cash assets	1.0%	29	0	0	0	0	29
Receivables		0	0	0	0	18	18
		29	0	0	0	18	47
Financial Liabilities							
Payables		0	0	0	0	52	52
Accruals		0	0	0	0	40	40
		0	0	0	0	92	92
Net financial assets / (liabilities)		29	0	0	0	(74)	(45)

b) Credit risk exposure

All financial assets are unsecured. Amounts owing by other government agencies are guaranteed and therefore no credit risk exists in respect of those amounts. In respect of other financial assets, the carrying amounts represent the Health Service's maximum exposure to credit risk in relation to those assets.

c) Net fair values

The carrying amount of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the financial statements are not materially different from their net fair values, determined in accordance with the accounting policies disclosed in note 1 to the financial statements.

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Note 30 Output information

COST OF SERVICES

Expenses from Ordinary Activities

	2007/02 \$000	2006/01 \$000	2007/02 \$000	2006/01 \$000	2007/02 \$000	2006/01 \$000	Total 2007/02 \$000	Total 2006/01 \$000
Employee expenses	128	130	383	389	401	407	912	926
Fees for visiting medical practitioners	5	6	16	18	17	19	39	42
Superannuation expense	11	9	34	26	36	27	82	62
Patient support costs	20	23	59	68	62	71	141	162
Patient transport costs	3	3	9	10	9	11	21	25
Repairs, maintenance and consumable equipment expense	11	6	34	17	35	18	80	40
Depreciation expense	9	8	28	25	29	26	66	59
Net loss on disposal of non-current assets	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0
Capital user charge	19	0	56	0	58	0	133	0
Other expenses from ordinary activities	10	14	31	41	32	43	74	97
Total cost of services	217	198	651	594	682	622	1,550	1,413

Revenues from Ordinary Activities

Patient charges	26	20	79	61	83	64	189	146
Donations revenue	2	1	5	3	5	3	11	6
Interest revenue	0	1	0	2	1	2	1	5
Other revenues from ordinary activities	5	4	14	11	14	12	33	26
Total revenues from ordinary activities	33	26	98	77	103	80	234	183

NET COST OF SERVICES

Revenues from Government

Output appropriations	189	146	566	439	593	460	1,348	1,045
Capital appropriations	0	23	0	68	0	71	0	161
Liabilities assumed by the Treasurer	0	9	0	26	0	27	0	62
Resources received free of charge	1	1	3	2	3	2	6	5
Total revenues from government	190	178	569	535	596	560	1,354	1,273

Change in net assets

	5	6	16	18	17	19	38	43
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Note 30 Output information (continued)

Output groups as defined in the budget papers are as follows:

Prevention and Promotion

Prevention and promotion services aim to improve the health of Western Australians by reducing the incidence of preventable disease, injury, disability and premature death. Services provided in this output include community health services; screening services; communicable disease management; health regulation and control; and community information and education.

* Community Health Services

Community health services include a range of community based services with the focus on improving the overall health of Western Australians. This is achieved by developing health promotion and prevention activities, supporting early child development, enhancing and ensuring universal access to community services, building capacity and assessing determinants of health as they relate to inequality.

* Screening Services

Screening services assist in the early identification and intervention of disease or conditions that can lead to long-term disability or premature death.

* Communicable Disease Management

Communicable disease management includes a range of strategies which aim to reduce the incidence and effects of communicable diseases.

* Health Regulation and Control

Health regulation and control is used to prevent and/or reduce the risk of disease, injury or premature death in those areas where health risk factors can be managed.

* Community Information and Education

A key strategy to prevent disease, injury or premature death is the provision of community information and education. The purpose of these services is to promote a healthy lifestyle and educate Western Australians about appropriate preventive health behaviours.

Diagnosis and Treatment

The objective for the diagnosis and treatment services is to improve the health of Western Australians by restoring the health of people with acute illness. The services provided to diagnose and treat patients include emergency services; ambulatory or outpatient services and services for those people who are admitted to hospitals. Services provided in this output include admitted care, ambulatory care and emergency services.

* Admitted Care

The types of services admitted patients may receive include obstetric care, services to cure illness or provide definitive treatment of injury, surgery, relief of symptoms or a reduction of severity of injury or illness (excluding palliative care), protection against exacerbation and/or complication of an illness and/or injury which could threaten life or normal functions, and diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

* Ambulatory Care

Ambulatory care includes same day procedures, outpatient attendance, pre-admission assessments and home-based treatment and care. With these services patients do not undergo the formal hospital admission process.

* Emergency Services

Emergency services are provided to treat people with sudden onset of illness or injury of such severity and urgency that they need immediate medical help which is either, not available from their General Practitioner, or for which their General Practitioner has referred them for treatment. Emergency departments provide a range of services from immediate resuscitation to urgent medical advice. An emergency department patient may subsequently undergo a formal admission process and would then be classified as an admitted patient, or be treated and discharged directly from the Emergency department without admission.

Continuing Care

Services provided to improve the quality of life for those who need continuing care. Services provided in this output include home care and residential services.

* Home Care

Community based care and support to maintain and enhance, as far as possible, people's quality of life (eg home nursing, home help, transport service, home maintenance, delivered meals, respite care); care and support for terminally ill people and their families and carers (eg hospice services and palliative care); and care and support for people with long term disabilities to ensure an optimal quality of life.

* Residential Care

Residential aged care services are for people assessed as being no longer able to live in their own home (eg nursing home services, nursing home type services in public hospitals and hostel services).