

Victorian Nurse Practitioner Project

Phase 3 Round 6

Nurse Practitioner Service Planning – Final reports

About the Victorian Nurse Practitioner Project

The Department of Human Services (DHS) has been supporting the implementation of the NP in Victoria through the Victorian Nurse Practitioner Project (VNPP). The VNPP is currently in Phase 3.

Whilst the focus of Phases 1 and 2 was on Demonstration projects, in Phase 3 the focus has shifted to implementing NP models and investing in identifying and developing viable and sustainable models of NP practice.

About Round 6.0 NP Service Planning Projects

In Phase 3, Round 6 projects have been funded that aim to build the capacity of health services to transfer what they have learnt by undertaking single projects, into a framework for NP services that is integrated within their service profile.

In Round 6 (2005-06), ten health services were funded to develop sustainable service plans for NP services. The ten health services funded for Round 6 NP Service Planning projects are:

- Royal Women's Hospital
- Bendigo Health Care Group
- Alexander District
- Western Health
- Northern Health
- Goulburn Valley Health
- Austin Health
- North West Health
- Bayside Health
- Eastern Health

As the Round 6.0 final reports and service plans are completed they are made available to other health services via the Department of Human Services nursing website. These plans will form a body of knowledge for organisations that plan to implement the nurse practitioner role and will continue to inform the ongoing implementation of the nurse practitioner role in Victoria at both a health service provider level and system wide.

The service plans contain a wealth of different approaches to implementing the NP and are intended to be a resource to others.

Note: The service plans reflect the position of the individual health services and are not necessarily the view of the Department of Human Services.

Need further Information?

- For more information about the Department of Human Services, Victorian Nurse Practitioner Project, go to <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/nursing/furthering/practitioner.htm>
- Enquiries about individual service plans/final reports should be directed to the relevant health service.