

Home and Community Care (HACC) Program

Southern Metropolitan Region Annual Plan 2006-07



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1. Introduction

This document sets out how the Southern Metropolitan Region (SMR) has allocated the 2006-07 HACC growth funding as per the strategic directions identified in the *SMR Regional Triennial Plan 2006-09*. The document was adjusted in response to feedback after consultations with service providers and other stakeholders about the expansion of HACC services during 2006-09.

SMR has analysed funding per capita (pcf\$), service provision, demographic data, relevant reports and provided a regional approach to allocating HACC growth funds in alignment with the *SMR Regional Triennial Plan 2006-09*, the Ministerial Priorities 2006-09 and a focus on equity across local government areas (LGAs).

2. Scheduled consultations

The following consultation sessions were held:

Consultation	Date	Total number of attendees	Number of service providers	C'wealth representative in attendance
Inner South District	21 June 2006	23	20	0
Peninsula District	21 June 2006	21	18	0
South East and Kingston Bayside Districts	22 June 2006	31	29	1
Aboriginal consultation	23 June 2006	11	8	1

3. Regional planning data 2006-09: Proposed allocation to LGAs

Under the *Victorian HACC Program Expenditure Priorities Statement 2006-09*, the approach to equity is that all regions will receive funding to maintain existing per capita funding levels and additional funding is to be provided to under funded catchments to move them to defined benchmarks over the triennium. The Relative Resource Equity Formula (RREF) at LGA - RREF-LGA will be used to determine both the target population and the relative equity of each LGA.

In the pre-consultation document, SMR proposed applying 60 per cent of growth funding per annum to address equity with special consideration for Cardinia Shire because its growth rate is three times that of the regional rate.

Feedback from service providers through the consultations focussed on the following:

- the RREF
- the pace of change to redress equity compared to 2003-06
- the capacity of catchments with high number of people aged 80 and above and reduced and limited growth to meet service demand
- additional time needed for catchments receiving significant growth to plan for increased infrastructure capacity to absorb substantial growth allocations.

In response to the consultation process and feedback received, SMR has moderated the pace of change to redress equity by adjusting the proposed allocation to address equity from 60 per cent to 50 per cent and allocated the balance of funding to LGAs on the basis of their regional RREF shares.

For 2006-07, the focus for growth funds for equity is to the LGAs of Casey, Kingston, Cardinia, Frankston and Greater Dandenong because their per capita funding (pcf\$) is significantly under the regional and metropolitan per capita funding.

LGA	2006-07 Growth
Bayside	\$ 103,949
Cardinia	\$ 168,879
Casey	\$ 755,742
Frankston	\$ 350,494
Glen Eira	\$ 151,109
Greater Dandenong	\$ 444,139
Kingston	\$ 682,272
Mornington Peninsula	\$ 216,407
Port Phillip	\$ 83,198
Stonnington	\$ 95,847
SMR	\$ 33,000
SMR Total	\$ 3,085,035

Note: The total may not add due to rounding

Priority 1

In accordance with the *SMR Triennial Plan 2006-09*, in 2006-07 HACC Basic activities are to be expanded within the overarching equity framework.

An analysis of data on the average annual hours of service usage by activity type in SMR found domestic assistance, personal care, property maintenance, allied health and planned activity groups (PAGs) were below the Victorian average. Nursing in SMR is above the metropolitan average and allied health is marginally below the Victorian average. Assessment is above the State average.

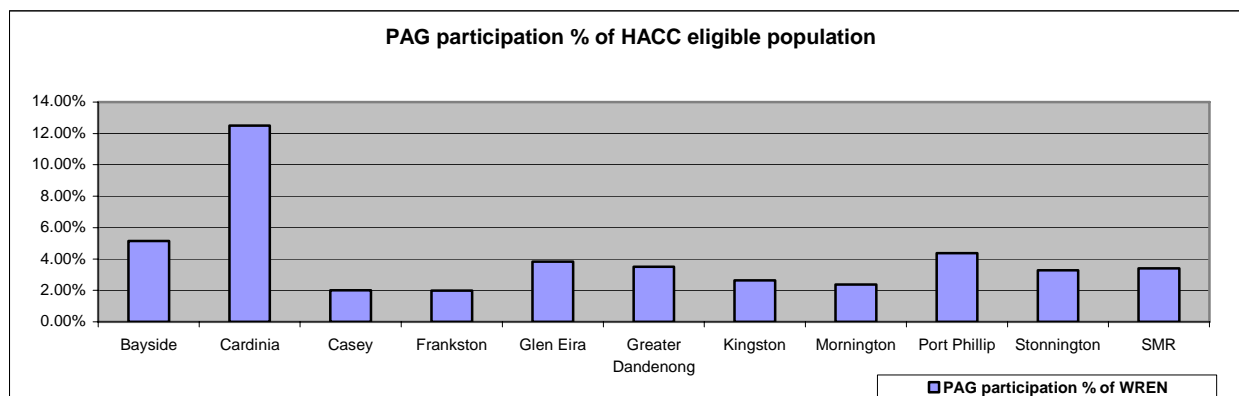
For 2006-07, there is an 85/15 split between Council type HACC basic services and allied health services across all catchments except the LGA of Bayside, where SMR identified a specific issue in the provision of allied health services and allocated 40 per cent of growth funding to the catchment towards allied health service provision.

Based on HACC MDS data, where nursing funding per capita in SMR is above the metropolitan average, a modest growth of \$100,000 for expansion of nursing services was allocated to the LGAs of Frankston and Greater Dandenong.

Assessment services were expanded in the LGAs of Casey, Kingston and Cardinia to support the significant growth in general home care services that will arise from the equity redress.

In relation to planned activity groups (PAGs) many services across SMR showed service provision above funding levels, indicating significant unmet demand for services. After three years of no growth to social support, it is clear there is significant pressure on many PAG services. Both mainstream and CALD PAGs, particularly in those catchments with lower participation rates, were expanded.

The PAG participation rate is based on the number of PAG participants in each LGA as a



percentage of the HACC eligible population.

In accordance with the *SMR Triennial Plan 2006-09*, for 2006-07, there is a commitment of 2.5% of total regional growth funding to expand mainstream PAGs in Casey, Kingston and Greater Dandenong LGAs. Although the PAG participation rate in Greater Dandenong is relatively high, the catchment requires special consideration given its diverse community. PAGs are one of the most accessed activity types by people from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) backgrounds.

Consultations have been held with Council, community health, nursing and community service organisations on the activities to be expanded in each LGA. Please refer to Appendix 1 for the regional summary of allocations by activity.

Priority 2

The *Victorian HACC Program Expenditure Priorities Statement 2006-09* states that Priority 2 should focus on enhancing access to HACC services including PAGs and that the quantity and quality of HACC Basic services for people from CALD backgrounds should be increased. Work should continue to develop linkages and raise cultural awareness between mainstream, multicultural and ethno-specific organisations. The document states that further time should be allowed to realise and evaluate the outcomes of strategies implemented over 2003-06, including the Cultural Equitable Gateways Strategy (CEGS) projects.

In view of the SMR Priority 2 projects undertaken in the last triennium that have been aligned with the objectives of the CEGS strategy, in 2006-07, a commitment of 2.5% of total growth funds are allocated to PAGs providing services to people from CALD communities in the LGAs of Greater Dandenong, Casey and Kingston.

As per the *Victorian HACC Program Expenditure Priorities Statement 2006-09*, expansion is directed to support new services for new and emerging communities and to expand services for established communities that have a growing ageing population.

An invited submission process was held in October 2006 to allocate the PAG funding.

Priority 3

Priority 3 is to increase the quantity and quality of HACC services for Aboriginal communities. In 2006-09, SMR will continue work to improve accessibility to HACC services for Aboriginal consumers focussing on:

- Encouraging partnerships and collaboration between Councils, community health services and Aboriginal organisations, to improve access for Aboriginal clients into HACC services.
- Encouraging and supporting mainstream service providers to provide culturally relevant and responsive services to Aboriginal communities.

In 2006-07 SMR allocated \$28,000 to improve access to HACC services for Aboriginal communities in the Inner South district. This will enable consolidation of HACC growth that has occurred on the South East and Peninsula districts in the last two years and recent primary health initiatives such as the Aboriginal Health Promotion and Chronic Partnerships projects in the same districts.

The Regional Office met with service providers in Inner South East on 25 July 2006 and has agreed to implement strategies to improve access to HACC services for men from Aboriginal communities in Inner South East district.

3.1 Summary of allocations to Priorities

Table 3: Allocations by LGA and priority for 2006-07

	2006-07 Priority 1	2006-07 Priority 2	2006-07 Priority 3
Bayside	\$ 103,949		
Cardinia	\$ 168,879		
Casey	\$ 730,752	\$ 24,990	
Frankston	\$ 350,494		
Glen Eira	\$ 151,109		
Greater Dandenong	\$ 419,149	\$ 24,990	
Kingston	\$ 657,282	\$ 24,990	
Mornington Peninsula	\$ 216,407		
Port Phillip	\$ 83,198		
Stonnington	\$ 95,847		
SMR	\$ 5,000		\$ 28,000
Total	\$ 2,982,066	\$ 74,970	\$ 28,000

Note: The total may not add due to rounding

Summary of allocations to priority, activity and LGA

HACC Growth 2006-07

Growth at Commonwealth Unit Price for Nursing

Priority	Activity Name	LGA Name	Growth Units FYE 2006-07	Growth FYE 2006-07 \$
1	Allied Health	Bayside (C)	525	\$ 40,142
1	Domestic Assistance	Bayside (C)	1,106	\$ 28,800
1	Personal Care	Bayside (C)	840	\$ 25,007
1	Property Maintenance	Bayside (C)	264	\$ 10,000
1	Allied Health	Cardinia (S)	326	\$ 24,926
1	Assessment	Cardinia (S)		\$ 14,306
1	Delivered Meals	Cardinia (S)	21,433	\$ 28,292
1	Domestic Assistance	Cardinia (S)	1,449	\$ 37,732
1	Personal Care	Cardinia (S)	950	\$ 28,282
1	Property Maintenance	Cardinia (S)	933	\$ 35,342
1	Allied Health	Casey (C)	1,400	\$ 107,044
1	Assessment	Casey (C)		\$ 78,672
1	Delivered Meals	Casey (C)	25,000	\$ 33,000
1	Domestic Assistance	Casey (C)	9,120	\$ 237,485
2	PAG-Core	Casey (C)	2,362	\$ 24,990
1	PAG-High	Casey (C)	1,682	\$ 25,079
1	Personal Care	Casey (C)	8,380	\$ 249,473
1	Allied Health	Frankston (C)	596	\$ 45,570
1	Domestic Assistance	Frankston (C)	2,906	\$ 75,672
1	Personal Care	Frankston (C)	5,212	\$ 155,161
1	Property Maintenance	Frankston (C)	683	\$ 25,872
1	Allied Health	Glen Eira (C)	286	\$ 21,868
1	Domestic Assistance	Glen Eira (C)	4,012	\$ 104,472
1	Personal Care	Glen Eira (C)	832	\$ 24,769
1	Allied Health	Greater Dandenong (C)	680	\$ 51,993
2	PAG-Core	Greater Dandenong (C)	2,362	\$ 24,990
1	PAG-High	Greater Dandenong (C)	1,676	\$ 24,989
1	Personal Care	Greater Dandenong (C)	9,874	\$ 293,949
1	Allied Health	Kingston (C)	1,260	\$ 96,340
1	Assessment	Kingston (C)		\$ 65,545
1	Domestic Assistance	Kingston (C)	10,092	\$ 262,796
2	PAG-Core	Kingston (C)	2,362	\$ 24,990
1	PAG-High	Kingston (C)	1,679	\$ 25,034
1	Personal Care	Kingston (C)	5,504	\$ 163,854
1	Property Maintenance	Kingston (C)	1,154	\$ 43,714
1	Allied Health	Mornington Peninsula (S)	410	\$ 31,349
1	Domestic Assistance	Mornington Peninsula (S)	2,488	\$ 64,788
1	Personal Care	Mornington Peninsula (S)	4,040	\$ 120,271
1	Allied Health	Port Phillip (C)	157	\$ 12,004
1	Domestic Assistance	Port Phillip (C)	2,734	\$ 71,193
3	Service System Resourcing	SMR		\$ 28,000
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1	Nursing - Public Sector	SMR Frankston (C)	720	\$ 48,218
		SMR Greater Dandenong (C)		
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1	Allied Health	Stonnington (C)	180	\$ 13,763
1	Domestic Assistance	Stonnington (C)	2,550	\$ 66,402
1	Property Maintenance	Stonnington (C)	414	\$ 15,682
TOTAL				\$ 3,085,035