

Appendix 9 Baseline Service Profile Questionnaire

Managing Demand on Allied Health Services - Baseline Service Profile Questionnaire

Date: _____ District: _____ Service: _____

Please answer all questions in relation to your service, ie the services provided by the staff within your department. Please write N/A if a question is not applicable.

Thank-you for your assistance.

PART 1: Demographics

Question 1

a) Professional Staff

FTE Establishment _____ Actual Number of staff _____

b) Assistant Staff (OO staff)

FTE Establishment _____ Actual Number of staff _____

c) Assistant Staff (AO staff)

FTE Establishment _____ Actual Number of staff _____

Question 2

How many out-patient/community client referrals does your department/service receive per month, on average?

Question 3

Do you prioritise your referrals? Yes No

If so, how do you do this? (Eg. by clinical need, protocol, order of presentation) Please provide as much information as you can.

Question 4

Please indicate the number of urgent and non-urgent out-patient/community client referrals received per month according to categories used by your service. *eg. urgent, semi-urgent, non-urgent*

Referral Category	Number
URGENT	
SEMI-URGENT	
NON-URGENT	

Question 5

Who can refer to your service?

- Hospital Doctor Other Hospital Staff
 GP Other (Please specify) _____
 Allied Health Professionals

Question 6

On what grounds do you refuse referrals? (Please provide details).

- Geographic (postcode) _____ Insurance Status _____
 Age _____ District/Organisation Policy _____
 Condition _____ Other _____
 Referral Source _____

Question 7

Which of the following patients are eligible for treatment at your health care facility?
Please tick all relevant categories.

- Public patient DVA
 Private patient referred from private clinic in your facility WorkCover
 Private patient external to Queensland Health Other (please specify) _____
 Compulsory Third Party Insurance

Question 8

What type of referrals do you accept?

- Written - post Phone
 Written - fax Other _____
 Verbal - face to face

Question 9

Are client required to attend your service face-to-face prior to getting an appointment/being placed on your waiting list? Yes No

Question 10

What other services provided by your discipline (or service) are available in your geographical District?
(Tick all relevant)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Cerebral Palsy League |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Private Practice | <input type="checkbox"/> Commonwealth funded (eg More Allied Health Services program) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Education Department |
| <input type="checkbox"/> St Vincent's Nursing Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> St Luke's Nursing Service | |

Part 2: Patient Population

Question 11

a) Please list specialised outpatient/community programs within your service? eg Women's health, Hands, Diabetes, Cardiac, Chronic Pain, Neurological, Lymphoedema, Cardiorespiratory. (include Multi-disciplinary services).

b) Why does your department provide these program/s? (tick all applicable)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community need | <input type="checkbox"/> District/Facility priority or policy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Service not provided locally elsewhere | <input type="checkbox"/> Staff specialist/interest area |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Departmental priority | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please state) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historically provided | |



Question 12

a) Please list any programs or services currently not provided that you feel are important to patient needs in your District and indicate if they would be high, medium or low priority.

Service/Program	Priority

b) Please indicate why these programs / services are not currently provided. (tick all applicable)

- Staff resources
 District Policy
 Equipment/finance resources
 Other (Please state) _____

Question 13

Please list any programs or services that do not follow a best practice model, or would be a lower priority than services not currently provided. Give reasons for provision of these services.

Program/Service	Reason
e.g Chronic Pain Program does not follow chronic disease self-management model	Community pressure and time limitations

Question 14

Please indicate the types of intervention your service uses

- Individual
 Case Management
 Group
 Self-Management
 Team
 Triage
 Review at Future Date

Question 15

How does your department determine if an outpatient/community client is ready for discharge from your service? (please give details)

PART 3: Waiting List Management

Question 16

Do you have a service waiting list? Yes No (go to question 21)

Question 17

Why does your service have a waiting list?

Demand for services Visiting / outreach service Other (please state) _____

Question 18

Who coordinates the waiting list? (please tick)

Administration staff Manager
 Allied Health Assistant Other (please state) _____
 Clinician

Comments: _____

Question 19

How many patients are on the waiting list? What is the approximate average length of time from receiving a referral to the patient commencing treatment? (as at the day of completing this survey)

OUTPATIENTS	No. patients on waiting list	Average wait for treatment
URGENT		
SEMI-URGENT		
NON-URGENT		

Question 20

What percentage of your outpatients / community clients FTA (fail to attend) or DNA (did not attend) per month within your service? _____ %

Question 21

How do you manage FTA or DNA patients? (please tick all applicable)

Advise patient of DNA / FTA policy at time of booking appointment Phone patient for reason for DNA/FTA
 Refer back to clinic / referral source Book another appointment
 Refuse further appointments Other. (Please state) _____

Question 23

Do you routinely allocate appointment slots for new patients only? Yes No

Question 24

Approximately how many referrals per month are removed from the waiting list?

Reason	Number
An appointment was made	
Treatment was no longer needed	
Client unable to be contacted	
Client seen by another service	
According to DNA policy	
Other (Please specify)	

Part 4: Quality Management

Question 25

Does your department have a process or mechanism for collecting patient feedback? Yes No

Question 26

Do you have a process or mechanism for monitoring the impact of your service on patients / clients?
Yes No

Question 27

Do you perform goal setting with your clients? Yes No

Question 28

Does your department have a process or mechanism for collecting referrer feedback? Yes No

Question 29

What method of activity / statistics collection do you currently use? (tick all applicable)

- Manual paper collection
- No formal system
- Electronic data collection
- None collected