

What is the Leading Better Value Care Program?

The Leading Better Value Care (LBVC) program is an initiative from the NSW Ministry of Health, supported by the NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation (ACI) and Clinical Excellence Commission (CEC). The LBVC program represents a refocus for the NSW Health system, away from the traditional method of measuring volume and activity to measuring value, where value is defined as the health outcomes achieved per dollar spent.

Where did the need arise from?

The concept of value-based health care has the ability to be a more effective and more sustainable approach for minimising health care expenditure than traditional approaches, while improving the quality of care to patients.

Key goals of the LBVC Program

Shifting the paradigm from volume to value-driven care, focuses on the things that matter to patients, clinicians and the public health system. The LBVC program supports the Institute for Healthcare Improvement's Triple Aim of improving: the health of individuals and communities, doing it safely, doing it efficiently and optimising the use of health resources.

- Better outcomes for patients – improved alignment of patient expectations with the care delivered
- Better value for the system - cost savings delivered by reducing variation, duplication and fragmentation, and supporting improved integration and partnerships across health care providers
- Better Clinician experience – improving job satisfaction of staff

Key areas of focus to improve care

Phase one of the LBVC program has eight clinical initiatives, guided by evidence-based models of care:

- Management of Osteoarthritis
- Osteoporotic Re Fracture Prevention
- Management of Chronic Heart Failure
- Management of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
- Adverse Events: Falls in Hospitals
- Inpatient Management of Diabetes Mellitus
- Diabetes High Risk Foot Services
- Renal Supportive Care End Stage Kidney Disease



What does this impact me?

The LBVC program is a high priority for the Mid North Coast Local Health District (MNCLHD). The LBVC program is an opportunity for clinicians, managers and medical staff to participate in clinical audits, professional development opportunities such as workshops, trial new ways of delivering health care, network with other clinicians and focus on patient reported feedback to improve their health outcomes. There are five Redesign Working Groups (RWG) implementing the eight clinical initiatives across the MNCLHD. The five clinical RWG are: Musculoskeletal, Diabetes, Unwarranted Clinical Variation of COPD/ CHF, Renal Supportive Care and Falls in Hospital.

Where do I find out more information?

If you would like more information or would like to be a part of the RWG phone the MNCLHD Health Reform Team on 6588 2655. You can visit <http://www.eih.health.nsw.gov.au/bvh> or register with the ACI Hub <http://collaborate.aci.health.nsw.gov.au/login/>