Care coordination through Emergency Department Residential Aged Care and Primary Health Collaboration

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CEDRiC Collaboration

HIPS (Health Intervention Projects for Seniors) - RACF and primary health sector mediated interventions including provision of a Nurse Practitioner Candidate (NPC) within the RACFs to support to an enhanced model of primary health care (PHC).

GEDI (Geriatric Emergency Department Intervention) - Hospital ED mediated interventions (ED nurses with further education/experience in gerontology and community health) providing a dedicated single point of contact within the ED and streamlined patient flow in ED.
CEDRiC Project Aims

To describe clients utilising both services over 12 months and to determine how acceptable the services are to clients and their family members via prospective and retrospective quantitative data and qualitative data analysis.

**HIPS- Nurse Practitioner Candidate Comprehensive Resident Assessment**

**GEDI – Clinical Nurse Specialist Geriatric Care**
GEDI Evaluation

Interrupted time series design
• ED Process data – triage score, time to be seen, day, season
• Hospital admission
• ED and Hospital length of stay
• ED representation within 72 hours and 28 days
Health Economic Evaluation

- ED Episode cost
- Hospital episode of care cost
- GEDI Nurse costs
- AQoL-4D Basic – all Sundale residents.
OUTCOMES

RESULTS

• Currently in Data Collection Phase
• GEDI and HIPS data collection end in September
• Quality of life questionnaires - 1st of 3 rounds completed
• Staff and consumer interviews continuing

OUTPUTS

• Finalists in HESTA Team Innovation Award
• National and International conference presentations
• USC publications
• Newspaper articles
• Radio interview

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