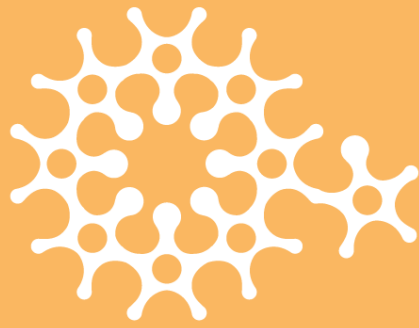




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Australian Centre for
**Value-Based
Health Care**

OUR VISION

The best possible healthcare system that supports a healthy Australia.

OUR PURPOSE

To drive collective action across the healthcare system for reform that improves the health and wellbeing of Australians.

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Health care in Australia should be:

- Outcomes-focused
- Evidence-based
- Accessible
- Equitable
- Sustainable

OUR GOALS

Outcomes-focused and value-based health care can be better enabled through a whole-of-government approach and in partnership with our members. We aim to achieve:

- A nationally unified and regionally responsive health system that puts people at the centre.
- Performance information and reporting that is fit-for-purpose.
- An integrated health workforce to meet population health needs.
- Funding that is sustainable and appropriate to support a safe, accessible and high-quality health system.

OUR CULTURE

- **Collaborative:** We work together to drive change.
- **Proactive:** We look for a better way.
- **Respectful and inclusive:** We listen, communicate and contribute.
- **Evidence-informed:** We use evidence to empower.
- **Accountable:** We are open and transparent.

THE VALUE IN MEMBERSHIP

Connecting nationally and globally

A shared commitment to universal, high-quality health care is needed that brings the health system together to **drive solutions**.

As the national peak body for public and not-for-profit hospital and healthcare providers, our **membership is diverse** – state health departments, Local Hospital Networks and public hospitals, community health services, Primary Health Networks and primary healthcare providers, aged care providers, universities, individual health professionals and academics.

Members connect around areas of shared interest through roundtables and other forums, communications and alliances, such as for aged care, climate and health, and oral health.

Through our membership of the International Hospital Federation, our members connect and learn with hospitals and health services around the world as they **explore innovative solutions to common challenges**.

Engaging in the health reform agenda

The **collective work of health leaders** across Australia in ensuring a person-centred, outcomes-focused and sustainable health system which prioritises equity, could not be more important.

Our members contribute to our priorities, position statements, submissions and media engagement. We work to ensure their views and experiences are reflected in developing policies.

Translating research into policy and practice

The strength of AHHA's advocacy lies in its basis in evidence. Evidence must be the cornerstone for health policy development in Australia. This requires connecting researchers, policymakers and practitioners and by creating opportunities to translate research into good health policy and practice.

AHHA promotes high quality research in our peer-reviewed journal *Australian Health Review*; and Issues, Evidence and Perspective Briefs published through our *Deeble Institute for Health Policy Research*. Our members publish through us to influence and inform the health system, and use this evidence in pursuit of our vision.

Sharing and showcasing

In the health sector, it is the diffusion of ideas and embedding of adaptive business models that will allow innovation to flourish. We support members to share and showcase their achievements through our digital magazine, *The Health Advocate*, webinars and events.

Implementing value-based health care

The process of change can be hard. It is made easier when **supported and informed by others** addressing similar challenges.

Through the work of the *Australian Centre for Value-Based Health Care*, we connect our members with activity occurring nationally and globally. We offer monthly webinars, education programs and events. Our members also commission us to support specific projects that align with our vision and values and can inform health policy.

Staying informed

The health system is influenced by the actions of a broad range of stakeholders, both within and external to the health sector. This includes health, education, labour, trade, finance, gender and social welfare, as well as the engagement of the private sector, and across all levels of government – from the local to the national.

Through our newsletters, members are alerted to key national activity that is influencing our sector. We draw together views to ensure coherent messaging, critical to producing good policy and health outcomes.