

The Changing Shape of Practice Models



More client focused, smarter & higher quality.

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Towards More Effective Practice Models – Why?

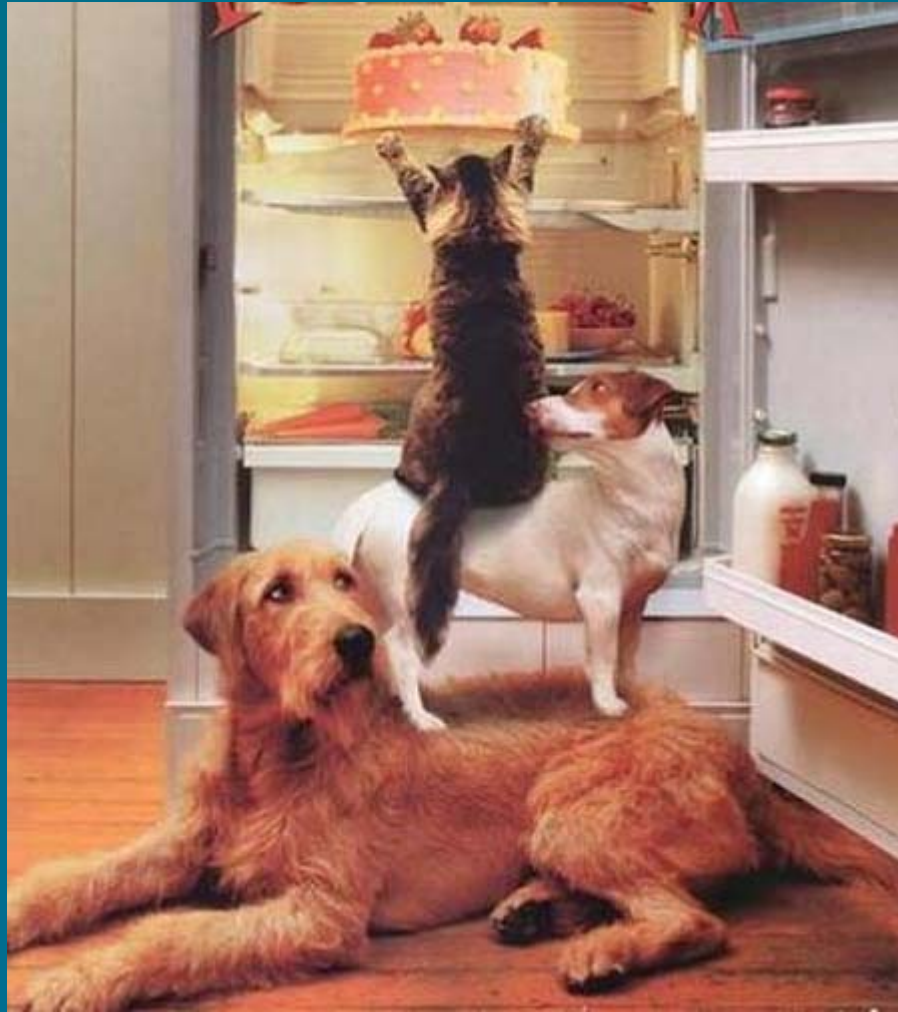
- Increasing burden of chronic disease
- Alignment of Commonwealth and State directions – minimise duplication & promote common approaches
- Demonstrated client and system benefits from partnerships & service integration
- No part of the health system can do it on their own
- Better client outcomes
- The time and context is right!

Effective Practice Models - Why a Community Health Issue?

- CHS clients are complex & often present with chronic disease conditions
- Over 85% of population see a GP each year
- The GP/CHS interface is critical
- CHS already offer integrated & comprehensive response to chronic disease
- CHS & GPs can work together to address health inequalities of those most in need

Effective Practice Models

- Need to redefine and broaden options
- No need to completely redevelop
- Focus of interest is on the well being of the client
- Build on existing partnerships, systems and practices to achieve a common goal



What do Effective Practice Models look like?

They are:

- Client focused
- Easy for clients to navigate
- Provide an integrated service
- Offer best practice care
- Build on existing partnerships
- Provide sustainable solutions

Effective Practice Models – How has DHS Supported this?

- Community Health Services – creating a healthier Victoria states:
 - *Strengthening CHS as a platform for the delivery of comprehensive primary health care services*
 - *Co-ordinated community based disease management strengthens the role of CHS in working with people with chronic and complex conditions*
 - *Build strong functional relationships between CHS and GPs*

Effective Practice Models – How has DHS Supported this?

- Creating the platform for GPs and CHS to work together via PCPs
- GPs in CHs funding
- Funding round focus on innovation chronic disease management & strengthen integrated care
- Early Intervention in Chronic Disease
- AHPACC
- Partnership with GPDV

Effective Practice Models – Taking it Forward

DHS will continue to:

- Encourage innovation
- Support the range of solutions currently in place
- Build on what's working well
- Challenge the way we work and models implemented
- Share your good stories

Remember Effective Practice Models Require

- A focus on the clients' care pathway
- Partnerships that make optimal use of the skills of each party
- A focus on developing systems that work for clients



Working together

