Workshop Summary

SA Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2019 - 2024

A Health and Wellbeing Strategy Workshop was held for Statewide Clinical Support Services (SCSS) Executive at Roma Mitchell House on Thursday 28 February 2019.

Background

Underpinned by data and consistent with contemporary evidence, SA Health routinely conducts system-wide strategic planning every five years. The SA Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2019 - 2024 (the Strategy) will focus on the state wide health priorities for South Australia for the next five years and also look to adopt a longer term perspective (to 2030), to enable the system to be better prepared for the future.

Over the last 12 months following a broad and comprehensive review of research evidence and a strengths based consultation across SA Health service provider networks a number of emerging themes, issues and challenges have been identified as potential opportunities to support improvements in health outcomes.

As part of the commitment to a consultation-based approach to the development of the Strategy, a number of workshops have been arranged to seek a diverse range of views about the themes, issues and challenges identified. As part of this engagement, workshops are being held with each Local Health Network (LHN), along with Statewide Clinical Support Services and South Australian Ambulance Service (SAAS), focussing on local population challenges and opportunities.

Workshop overview

The workshop provided an opportunity to work with the Statewide Clinical Support Services (SCSS) Executive Management Team to focus on and provide feedback on the Strategy Vision.

Opening

Julie Hartley-Jones, Group Executive, SCSS opened the workshop, welcomed participants and outlined the background and purpose of the workshop.

Strategy overview and context

Shelley Horne, Executive Director System Redesign and Clinical Engagement, SA Health outlined the key components of the South Australian Health and Wellbeing Strategy including the purpose, vision, aim and goals. Shelley reviewed themed actions areas, emerging themes and enablers and outlined the consultation opportunities that would be available for all staff.
Interactive session and Q&A
Shelley Horne invited feedback on the future vision for the SA health system, specifically referring to “We envisage a future where SA’s health system is:

- Trusted and highly valued by all South Australian’s
- Recognised and respected for excellence in Australia and around the world
- A preferred work destination for local, interstate and overseas clinicians
- A source of learning and inspiration for health systems and workers everywhere.

Collective input from participants included feedback from Breast Screen SA, SA Medical Imaging, SA Pathology, and SA Pharmacy.

Some themes that emerged from the session included:

**Barriers**
- Common understanding of being agile and dynamic and implications for practice changes
- External environment impacts
- Differences in funding models
- Public perceptions negatively influenced over time by media reporting

**Enablers**
- Supporting a skilled local flexible workforce
- Access to timely, accurate data and information at point of care
- Continuum of care focus – established links with community, private hospitals etc

**Opportunities**
- Improved communication flow and quality of information between LHNs, SCSS, DHW
- Promoting public health agenda across the care continuum, including acute
- Raised profile to recognise service excellence
- Cross government and cross sector collaboration
- System automation, releasing capacity which is already in place in SA Pharmacy and SA Pathology.
- The need to focus on the future in a creative and innovative way and not revisit the past. We need to deliver healthcare differently.

**Next steps**
The input received at the workshop will be incorporated into the South Australian Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2019 - 2024.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the session.

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For more information

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