ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER

Measuring Consumer Experience 2023 Snapshot

As part of the SA Consumer Experience Surveillance interviews for the year between January and December 2022, a total of 172 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander consumers were interviewed.

The demographic of respondents interviewed were

MALES

FEMALES

GENDER DIVERSE

16-34 YEARS

55-74 YEARS

35-54 YEARS

75 AND OVER

The consumers were asked the Australian Hospital Patient Experience Question Set, where the majority of respondents responding either 'always' or 'mostly' when asked if:



Views and concerns listened to

73%



Individual needs met

76%



Felt cared for by staff

OVER



Involved in making decisions



Being kept informed



Staff communicated with each other

ALMOST



Pain relief met needs



Felt confident in safety

86%



Overall quality

ALMOS



Recommend hospital

INDIVIDUAL NEEDS WERE NOT MET

"MY INDIVIDUAL NEEDS WERE MET" WAS ASKED AND ANSWERED NEGATIVELY.

OF THE

40

Aboriginal respondents who reported that their individual needs were not met mostly or always, 38 responded to the follow-up questions "when a need could not be met, staff explained why?"

AROUND

21%

reported staff explained mostly or always why their need could not be met

HARM OR DISTRESS DISCUSSED WITH STAFF

82.4%

of Aboriginal respondents did not experience unexpected harm or distress as a result of their treatment or care.

OF THE

17.6%

Aboriginal respondents **that did** experience harm or distress:

9.8%

experienced emotional harm

7.3%

experienced both physical and emotional harm

OF THE

30

Aboriginal respondents who reported that they had experienced unexpected harm or distress, all responded to the follow-up question:

53%

said that this was discussed with them



WITH REGARDS TO PATIENTS' RIGHTS AND ENGAGEMENT:

73%

Aboriginal respondents were not asked if they had any cultural or religious beliefs that might affect the way they were treated in the hospital.

Of the **27**% that did get asked, **25.6**% were asked after admission.

Of the 24 Aboriginal respondents who required an interpreter,

ALMOST

39%

were provided one in 2022.

THE MAJORITY OF ABORIGINAL RESPONDENTS:

OVER **79%**

felt that their right to an opinion was always or usually respected.

Each participant was given the opportunity to provide both a satisfied and dissatisfied qualitative comment about their experience, which was provided to the Local Health Networks and their hospitals.

A TOTAL OF 120 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER RESPONDENTS PROVIDED EITHER A SATISFIED OR DISSATISFIED COMMENT.

67%

SATISFIED OR DISSATISFIED COMMENTS

A TOTAL OF

satisfied comments were received and were most commonly related to doctors and nurses; coordination and integration of care; respect for patients' values, preferences and expressed needs; and physical comfort.

74

dissatisfied comments were received and comments were most commonly related to coordination and integration of care; doctors and nurses; respect for patients' values; preferences and expressed needs; physical comfort; and information; communication and education.

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