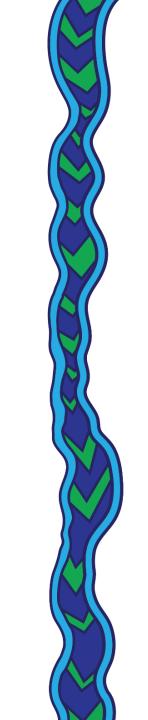


Integrated Mental Health Hubs

Codesign, procurement, implementation and outcomes

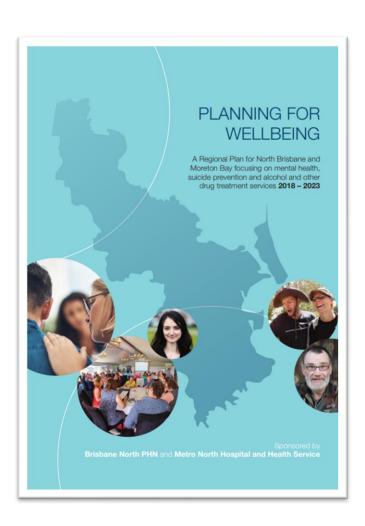
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Joint Regional Plan







5. Delivering integrated services

5.2 Improve our service delivery.

 identify options for establishing virtual and/or physical 'hubs' for people seeking mental health support and referral, including options incorporating peer service navigators

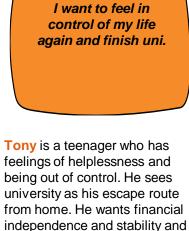


Service Review & Codesign





Johnny is a father, whose drug and alcohol use causes him problems. Johnny doesn't trust government or the system. He has recently lost his job, partner and become homeless.



to connect with others.



Leah is a mother of three young children. She has recently separated from her partner and children as a result of domestic violence.

Julia is a single mum with two daughters. She has a history of drug use and wants help with practical things like managing money and understanding her medications. She feels misunderstood and uncertain about her future.

I hate the fake

positivity that some

providers display. I

want to be treated as

an equal.

Ben has few social connections and spends most of his day with his dog hoping to interact with the people he meets. He has difficulty looking after himself, maintaining his home and managing his finances.

I feel like I am a

burden on my family.

I don't like to ask for

help.

I don't think anything will make me better. It feels hopeless.

Sarah is estranged from her family and experiencing mental and physical health problems. She has become overwhelmed by the number of health professionals she is involved with.

Service Review & Codesign





multiservice, one stop shop hubs based in the community



non-stigmatising environments where people could receive the range of services that they need



both clinical and non clinical, in the one location



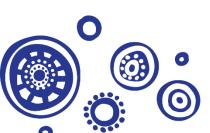
provision for outreach services for people unable or not wanting to go to a hub in person



services delivered in a person centred, recovery orientated, trauma informed and family inclusive manner



Skilled (clinical and non clinical), authentic and capable employees









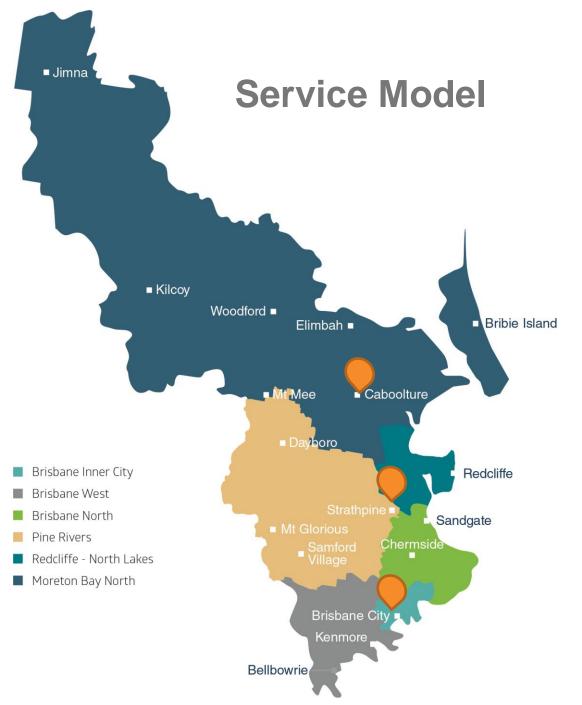














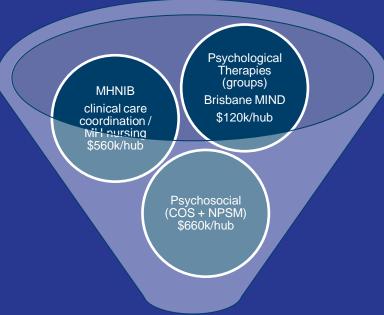
Support people with severe mental illness to:

- live well in the community
- access integrated clinical and non-clinical services, matched to their level of need; and
- achieve their recovery goals.





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Integrated mental health hubs = ~\$1.3M per Hub









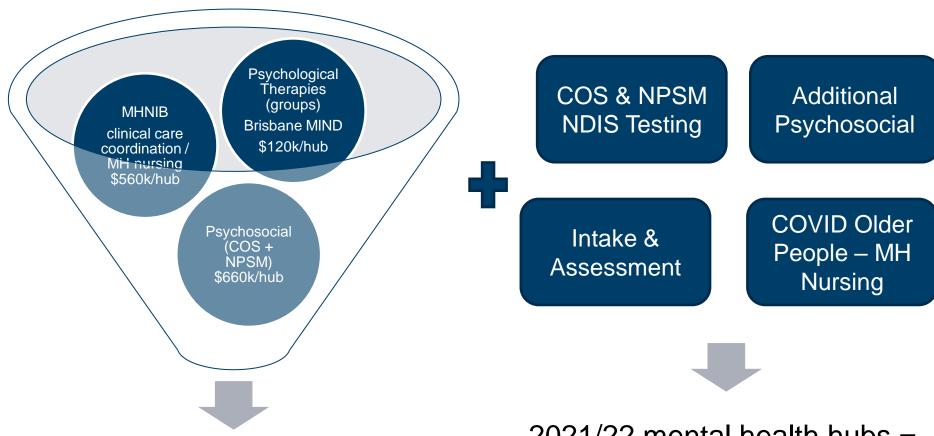






Service model enhancements





Initial Integrated mental health hubs = ~\$1.3M per Hub

2021/22 mental health hubs = ~\$1.7M per Hub

Evaluating the Hubs



Key evaluation questions were drafted against key domains to evaluate the extent to which the program met its objectives from different perspectives.

Appropriateness	Effectiveness	Implementation	Sustainability
Did the hub model meet the needs of service users? Did the hub model meet the needs of local system stakeholders? Was an integrated hub model suitable to achieve the intended outcomes? What were the strengths and weaknesses in the design of the hub model?	Did the hub model improve access to clinical and non-clinical support for people with severe and complex mental illness? Did service users achieve their support goals? Did service users report lower levels of psychological distress? Did service users experience a positive change in recovery outcomes?	Was the hub model implemented as intended? What were the barriers and enablers to implementing the hub model? What were the direct and indirect resources required to implement the hub model?	Did the hub model contribute to building the evidence base for effective commissioning approaches for severe and complex mental illness?



2,200 referrals received + 150 transitioned

Hub services





Over 38,000 service contacts completed ~1,485 per month)



Average duration of episode = 193 days



10% Indigenous 7% LGBTIQ + 13% experiencing or at risk of homelessness



,651 episodes commenced



Average of 23.2 service contacts per episode



Most common presenting diagnosis post-traumatic stress disorder then major depressive disorders

Service Experience & Outcomes



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People with severe and complex mental illness accessing the hubs report positive experiences and improved recovery outcomes when they remain engaged.

"The hubs are life changing for many people. They often give people a second chance at life. The professionalism is outstanding."

Service user

"I feel I have a place to heal and people that care."

Service user

"every aspect of my day to day life has changed for the better since I have been attending the hub."

"I'm not so angry anymore, not as confused. Mental health is stabilised (no more hospital admission) I am off [illicit] drugs (wise choices). Also my physical health is improving."

Service user

"I feel more independent and capable with dealing with difficult emotions."

Service user

"The biggest feedback I keep getting is 'I haven't been back to the hospital'... There's a lot of people going in and out of hospital like a revolving door and now a lot of them have the support and haven't been back there."

Hub staff

"I've only been engaged for a short period of time but am really enjoying the comfortability when walking into the hub... in this environment I feel I will move forward and enjoy my time learning and forming new connections and learning so many new exciting things"

Service user

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"Having access to affordable and reachable mental health treatment which would otherwise be unattainable has been great"

Service user

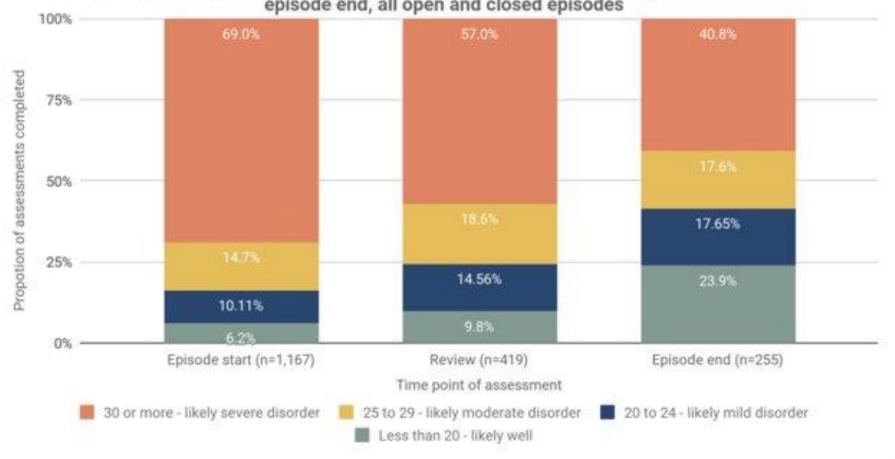
"[The hub] is the most fantastic concept for those struggling in the community with mental health issues. There should be more hubs available and more peer support workers employed."

Service user

Service Experience & Outcomes



Severity category of psychological distress measured by K10 scale at episode start, review and episode end, all open and closed episodes

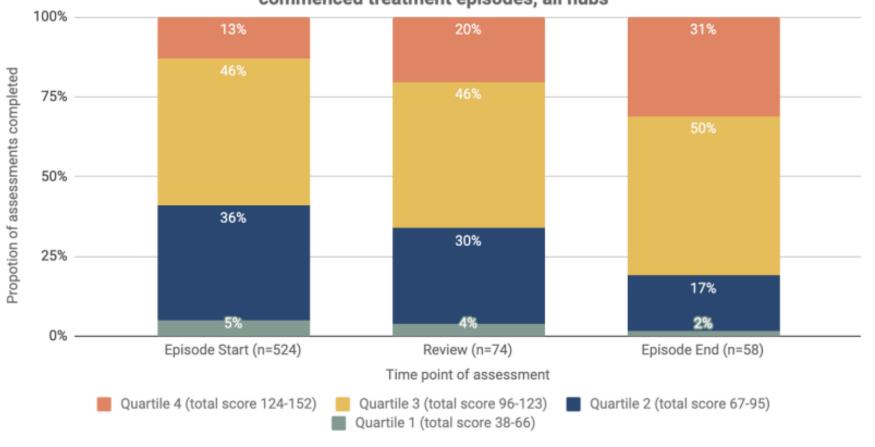




Service Experience & Outcomes



Change in total recovery score measured by RAS-DS at episode start, review and episode end, all commenced treatment episodes, all hubs









While the pooling of resources enables integration of clinical and non-clinical supports in one place, there are opportunities to strengthen the integration of the hubs model into the wider sector, including primary care.

"The Hub is very driven to meet the needs of its clients, while supporting the team. It has a great culture of support""

Hub staff

"I believe the hubs are an excellent resource run by people dedicated and passionate about supporting people with complex mental health issues."

Sector stakeholder

"My experience with [the hub] has been fantastic — they are responsive, engaging and collaborative regarding referrals and work actively to engage these clients in their recovery goals."

Sector stakeholder

"The key difference is that people can access a suite of service through that one referral pathway and through that one intake process they can then be linked in with a wide variety of health professionals to meet their needs"

Hub manager



What next?



Hub implementation & operation

- Understand & enhance participant engagement
- Enhance referral pathways, HHS, GP's earlier in journey
- Build reach (in reach & outreach)
- Update and enhance outcome measures

Service development & enhancement

- Safe Spaces (CHHP funding)
- Local service system integration, HHS, Queensland Health etc.
- Multi-agency care planning, assessment and referral within hubs

