

Our strategies to involve consumers in committees beyond the CAC



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Let's start with the Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

- Nine community members who are active and engaged
- Robust recruitment process
- Ongoing training and support





Consumers on clinical governance committees

- Board Quality
- Expert Advisory Committees (on 12 of 15)
- Program Quality & Strategy Committees
- Carrot vs stick





Consumers on redesign committees

- Specialist Clinics
- Surgery 2015
- Rehabilitation and Geriatric Evaluation Management





Consumers on planning committees

- Healesville Redevelopment Liaison Group and Stakeholder Engagement Steering Committee
- Consumers on user groups
- Consumer Participation in Planning Practice guideline under development





Consumer Information Committee

- Established August 2014
- Five consumers who meet monthly
- New practice guideline and method of recording and storing consumer information
- CAC involvement in Quality of Care Report



Consumers on research and 'other' committees

- Steering Committee for NHMRC partnership grant
- Integrate research project
- Projects: Health Assistants Nursing, musculoskeletal physiotherapy, women and children practice guidelines, falls project etc.



How we've got consumers involved...and kept them!

- Multi-pronged recruitment:
 - Via consumer register
 - Advertising and targeted recruitment
- Orientation and support
- Building relationships: with staff and other consumers
- Financial support
- Broad staff acceptance and appreciation
- Making it an enjoyable experience



Next steps

- More robust evaluation of consumer and staff experience
- Continuous recruitment to the consumer register
- Further consideration of diversity
- Ongoing promotion to staff
- Ongoing support and training