

Your health. Your say.

Creating a digital health future for Australia

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The Environment



The current landscape

- **Chronic diseases** are the leading cause of illness, disability and death in Australia, accounting for **90%** of all deaths
- **75% of people** aged 65-74 years are overweight or obese, compared with 36.4% of people aged 18-24 years.
- **One million** Australians have been diagnosed with diabetes
- Nearly **40%** of Australians aged 45 and over have two or more of the eight chronic diseases

Australian Digital Health Agency



The Australian Digital Health Agency

Established in July 2016 by the Australian Government to help improve health outcomes for Australians through the delivery of digital health services and systems. We support digital innovation across Australia that:

- Gives people more control of their health and care;
- Empowers care professionals who provide the care; and
- Builds on Australia's distinguished leadership in discovery of new medicines and treatments.

About the Australian Digital Health Agency

- Tasked with improving health outcomes for Australians through the delivery of digital health care system and the National Digital Health Strategy.
- The Agency includes activities and resources transitioned from NEHTA and also from the national My Health Record system operation activities, previously managed by the Department of Health.
- Responsible for all national digital health services and systems, with a focus on engagement, innovation and clinical quality and safety.

Digital health

Digital health is the electronic management of health information to deliver safer, more efficient, better quality healthcare.

Australian Commonwealth Department of Health

The future

“The great digital health revolution lies literally in the palms of consumers...what if you, as a consumer, were able to take your personal Medicare and Pharmaceutical Benefit Scheme data to a health care service; to an app developer; to a dietician; to a retailer and say how can you deliver the best health services for my individual needs?”

The Hon Sussan Ley MP, Minister for Health, National Press Club address 21 October 2015

Clinical Priorities 2016-2017

- Save lives through better medicines management;
- Share pathology results and diagnostic imaging reports;
- Improve health outcomes in Australia through the My Health Record;
- Drive seamless, secure electronic messaging between health care providers;

Clinical Priorities 2016-2017

- Support valuable clinical outcomes by:
 - Developing a national digital health strategy;
 - Establishing a Children's Collaborative Network for Innovation;
 - Contribute to the Health Care Homes strategy; and
 - Embedding telehealth in clinical consultations

Aged Care and The Agency

- As part of the opt out trials, the Agency is reviewing how residential aged care facilities can be supported, for example, to become registered organisations (HPI-O). Bring learning into future work programmes.
- Preliminary exploration of alignment of My Aged Care and My Health Record.

National Digital Health Strategy



National Digital Health Strategy

A new way of working – Your health Your **say**

- Understand what Australians **want and expect from a modern healthcare system**
- Generate a positive and constructive discussion about **how data and technology can be used to create happier and healthier lives**
- **Build a sense of common purpose** among individuals, health professionals, the technology sector and the science and research community.

National Digital Health Strategy

- The Agency is undertaking a national consultation and engagement activity that will be finalised in January 2017.
- The purpose of the consultation is to seek feedback and input into the development of a co-produced National Digital Health Strategy.
- The Strategy will be delivered to the Australian Government in early 2017.

National Digital Health Strategy

- Engagement with clinicians, health care professionals, patients, technology innovators, researchers and the general public.
- Collect feedback and ideas – face to face, online, meetings, submissions until the end January 2017.

Data and technology in healthcare

- What are the **opportunities**?
- What **doesn't work**?
- What are the **barriers**?
- What does **success** look like?

Have your say!

- Website: **conversation.digitalhealth.gov.au**
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