



Clinical Quality Registry Working Group

Expressions of interest sought

ORGANISATIONAL CONTEXT

The Victorian Agency for Health Information (VAHI) was established to monitor and report on the quality and safety of public and private hospitals and health services.

By analysing and sharing information across Victoria's healthcare system, we are building an accurate picture of hospital and health service performance. Our initiatives enhance the flow of timely, accurate and meaningful information to those responsible for health service oversight including health service boards, management and clinicians.

CLINICAL QUALITY REGISTRIES (CQRs)

Targeting zero (2016), a review of the quality and safety of Victorian hospitals, found that oversight of quality and safety in Victoria needs to be significantly improved. The review recommended that the Department of Health and Human Services (the Department) should better use data to monitor and manage quality and safety of care.

The need to improve use of data collected by CQRs was highlighted in the review as they collect outcome and clinical information not found within existing departmental data collections. The review recommended that CQRs funded by the Department be required to provide indicator reporting – and for more mature CQRs, their raw data – to VAHI on an ongoing basis for reporting. In response to this, VAHI established the CQR program and tasked it with formulating a comprehensive strategy to maximise current registry investments.

CLINICAL QUALITY REGISTRY WORKING GROUP (CQR WG)

The purpose of the CQR WG is to provide advice and support to VAHI in its use and collection of CQR data and in its work to implement the statewide CQR strategy. The group held its first meeting on 17th October 2019.

We are seeking the advice of experienced CQR data users to inform the future direction of the CQR program.

Are you:

- a dynamic and collaborative clinical registry advocate or clinical data enthusiast with an interest in improving access to and analysis of clinical registry data?
- experienced in reviewing clinical registry data and providing feedback on that data?

If so, we'd love to hear from you!

Membership

As a member of the CQR WG, you will provide a professional practice perspective to inform and develop ideas that progress development of the program's requirements and specifications. Essentially, you will be bringing the voice of health service users to the attention of VAHI.

Membership includes representatives from the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aging, Safer Care Victoria, Monash University, Melbourne University, the Florey Institute, the Department, VAHI and the Alfred hospital.

Frequency

We will hold a minimum of four and a maximum of six meetings per year, determined by the CQR strategy implementation.

Meetings will be held at VAHI, 50 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne, with a telephone link service available for those unable to attend in person. The group will next meet in February 2020.

Expression of interest

Members will be appointed by an expression of interest process (see below).

Enquires: cqr@vahi.vic.gov.au



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Application and appointment process

Expressions of interest will be reviewed by the Manager, Clinical Registries and Patient Reported Outcomes. Each application will be reviewed against the following selection criteria.

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Relevant health service expertise in one of the following fields (medical, nursing, allied health, consumer liaison, quality lead, safety lead, health data management).
2. Available to participate in the activities of the working group, including meetings and reviewing and providing feedback on electronic communication.
3. Knowledge and experience in the collection, use and review of clinical registry data.

MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Central to the CQR WG role will be bringing the health service user voice to the attention of VAHI. Key responsibilities for members include:

- identifying key users of CQR data
- advising on the existing CQR collection processes and reports
- identifying improvement opportunities aligned with VAHI's role in implementing the statewide CQR strategy
- reviewing documentation and advising on pre-determined specifications.

HOW TO SUBMIT AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

If you are interested in becoming a member, please complete the online application at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EOI_CQR_WG

Expressions of interest must be lodged no later than **Wednesday 18 December 2019**.

Successful applicants will be notified by **Monday 10 January 2020**.