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This report is issued by the Administrator of the National Health Funding Pool under section 240 of the *National Health Reform Act 2011*.

This report is prepared on a cash basis. It shows monthly and year-to-date (YTD) National Health Reform (NHR) funding and payments for Victoria for June 2017 as part of the *National Health Reform Agreement*.

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Local hospital networks and National Health Reform

A local hospital network (LHN) is an organisation that provides public hospital services in accordance with the Agreement. An LHN can contain one or more hospitals, and is usually defined as a business group, geographical area or community. Every Australian public hospital is part of an LHN.

Note: The term 'local hospital network' is a national term. Some states and territories use their own terminology to describe these networks, such as local health districts, health organisations, and hospital and health services.

Under the Agreement, LHNs receive funding for the following public hospital services:

- All admitted and non-admitted services
- All emergency department services provided by a recognised emergency department
- Other outpatient, mental health, sub-acute services and other services that could reasonably be considered a public hospital service.

Note: LHNs also receive funding from other sources, including the Commonwealth, states and territories, and third parties for the provision of other specific functions and services outside the scope of the Agreement, for example dental services, primary care, home and community care, residential aged care and pharmaceuticals. For further information on total funding to a particular LHN, contact the Victorian Department of Health to view the service agreement for that LHN.

Note: Amounts shown in the monthly reports do not include the New South Wales contributions to Victoria for Albury Wodonga Health.

Basis for National Health Reform payments – Victoria, June 2017

For the basis of the Commonwealth contribution to NHR funding, see [Basis of Commonwealth NHR funding, 2016-17](#).

The basis used to determine NHR payments to LHNs in Victoria for June 2017 was advised by the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services to be as follows:

Payments in Victoria are based upon ‘Statement of Priorities’ agreements between Victorian public health services (LHNs) and the Minister for Health (or Secretary). These annual agreements detail the service profile, strategic priorities and deliverables the local hospital network will achieve in the year ahead; list the key financial, access and service performance priorities and agreed targets; and list funding estimates and associated service activity. Once agreed, Statements of Priorities are published at <https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/sops>.

Funding details are aggregated into ABF funded services (including NWAU equivalent service volume), Block funded services and other funding for the purpose of determining payments to and from the state pool account and the state managed fund.

Victoria makes 13 payments per annum to funded agencies. Adjustments to the payments are made for cash flow needs and costs administered by the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services on behalf of LHNs.

While the basis of NHR payments are reported on a cash basis by the Administrator, LHNs generally report revenue and expenditure on an accrual basis.

Reference information

The financial information outlined in the following report is categorised as:

- *NHR funding* – when the Commonwealth or state or territory government pays NHR funding into a state pool account or state managed fund.
- *NHR payments* – when NHR funding that has been deposited into a state pool account or state managed fund is paid out of the state pool account by the Administrator, or is paid out of the state managed fund by the state or territory.

State pool account transactions

Table 1a – State pool account transactions – Victoria, June 2017

This table shows funding paid into the Victorian state pool account by the Commonwealth, Victoria or other states/territories, and payments out of the state pool account to LHNs, the state managed fund, the Victorian Department of Health or the state pool accounts of other states/territories for June 2017.

NHR funding by source	Paid into state pool account (\$)	Paid out of state pool account				Total paid out (\$)
		To Local hospital networks (\$)	To State Managed Fund (\$)	To state health department (\$)	To state pool (other State) (\$)	
Commonwealth ABF funding	444,230,784	444,230,784				444,230,784
Commonwealth Block funding	51,407,944		51,407,944			51,407,944
Commonwealth Other funding	7,121,014			7,121,014		7,121,014
Total C'wealth funding	502,759,742	444,230,784	51,407,944	7,121,014		502,759,742
VIC funding	19,712,587	-64,692,167		75,204,754	9,200,000	19,712,587
Other state/territory funding	44,000,000		0	44,000,000		44,000,000
Total	566,472,329	379,538,617	51,407,944	126,325,768	9,200,000	566,472,329

Note: The negative amount of \$64,692,167 represents an over-deposit withdrawal by Victoria, as Commonwealth payments exceeded the total scheduled payments to Victorian Local Hospital Networks in June 2017. Over-deposits are generally caused by timing differences in funding and payments to Local Hospital Networks.

See definitions and explanatory notes following table 1b.

Table 1b – State pool account transactions YTD – Victoria, June 2017

Following on from table 1a, this table shows year-to-date (YTD) funding paid into the Victorian state pool account by the Commonwealth, Victoria or other states/territories, and payments out of the state pool account to LHNs, the state managed fund, the Victorian Department of Health or the state pool accounts of other states/territories as at June 2017.

NHR funding by source	Paid into state pool account (\$)	Paid out of state pool account				Total paid out YTD (\$)
		To Local hospital networks YTD (\$)	To State Managed Fund YTD (\$)	To state health department YTD (\$)	To state pool (other State) YTD (\$)	
Commonwealth ABF funding	4,101,259,341	4,101,259,341				4,101,259,341
Commonwealth Block funding	528,294,830		528,294,830			528,294,830
Commonwealth Other funding	92,590,154			92,590,154		92,590,154
Total C'wealth funding	4,722,144,325	4,101,259,341	528,294,830	92,590,154		4,722,144,325
VIC funding	4,427,641,026	4,341,980,387		76,460,640	9,200,000	4,427,641,027
Other state/territory funding	44,000,000		0	44,000,000		44,000,000
Total	9,193,785,351	8,443,239,728	528,294,830	213,050,793	9,200,000	9,193,785,351

Commonwealth ABF funding represents Acute admitted, Non-admitted, Emergency department, Sub-acute, and Admitted mental health service categories, which are funded by the Commonwealth through the state pool account and subsequently paid to LHNs.

Commonwealth Block funding represents Non-admitted mental health, Small rural hospitals, Teaching, training & research, and Other non-admitted categories, which are funded by the Commonwealth and paid to the state managed fund.

Commonwealth Other funding represents other amounts funded by the Commonwealth, transacted through the state pool account and subsequently paid to state or territory health departments. This currently represents the Commonwealth contribution to public health.

VIC funding represents funding contributions paid by Victoria into its own state pool account, and subsequently paid to LHNs within the state, to the Victorian health department and/or to other state pool accounts.

Other state/territory funding represents contributions paid to Victoria by other states and territories for cross-border activity.

Note: The grey shaded areas in these tables reflect cells that are not applicable for a particular 'paid out' column. For example, Commonwealth block funding is only paid to state managed funds and not to local hospital networks or state health departments.

NHR funding and payments shown in these tables include GST where applicable.

For more information, see [National Health Reform funding and payments](#).

State managed fund transactions

Table 2a – State managed fund transactions – Victoria, June 2017

This table shows funding paid into the Victorian state managed fund by the Commonwealth and Victoria, and payments out of the state managed fund to LHNs and other provider organisations for June 2017.

NHR funding by source	Paid into state managed fund (\$)	Paid out of state managed fund		
		To local hospital networks (\$)	To Other (\$)	Total paid out (\$)
Commonwealth Block funding	51,407,944			51,407,944
State/territory Block funding	7,225,680			7,225,680
Total	58,633,624	57,361,600	1,272,024	58,633,624

See explanatory notes below table 2b.

Table 2b – State managed fund transactions YTD – Victoria, June 2017

Following on from table 2a, this table shows year-to-date (YTD) funding paid into the Victorian state managed fund by the Commonwealth and Victoria, and YTD payments out of the state managed fund to LHNs and other provider organisations as at June 2017.

NHR funding by source	Paid into state managed fund YTD (\$)	Paid out of state managed fund YTD		
		To local hospital networks YTD (\$)	To Other YTD (\$)	Total paid out YTD (\$)
Commonwealth Block funding	528,294,830			528,294,830
State/territory Block funding	676,895,228			676,895,228
Total	1,205,190,058	1,173,269,762	31,920,295	1,205,190,057

Block funding represents Non-admitted mental health, Small rural hospitals, Teaching, training & research, and Other non-admitted categories.

Commonwealth Block funding represents Commonwealth block funding contributions paid into the state managed fund from the state pool account, and block payments out of the state managed fund to LHNs and other provider organisations.

State/territory Block funding represents Victorian block funding contributions into the state managed fund, and block payments out of the state managed fund to LHNs and other provider organisations.

Note: The grey shaded areas in these tables reflect that these block payments cannot at this stage be identified by funding source (state, territory or Commonwealth contribution).

NHR funding and payments shown in these tables include GST where applicable.

For more information, see [National Health Reform funding and payments](#).

NHR funding and payments by service category

Table 3 – NHR funding and payments by service category – Victoria, June 2017

This table shows NHR funding and payments by service category on both a monthly and year-to-date (YTD) basis for Victoria for June 2017. NHR funding and payments are separated into the following service categories – activity-based funding (ABF), block funding, and other funding.

Service category	NHR funding (\$)	NHR payments (\$)	NHR funding YTD (\$)	NHR payments YTD (\$)
ABF				
Acute admitted	*	*	*	*
Admitted mental health	*	*	*	*
Sub-acute	*	*	*	*
Emergency department	*	*	*	*
Non-admitted	*	*	*	*
Total ABF (Pool)	454,712,174	379,538,617	8,518,646,084	8,443,239,728
Block				
Small rural hospitals	*	*	*	*
Teaching, training & research	*	*	*	*
Non-admitted mental health	*	*	*	*
Other non-admitted services	*	*	*	*
Total Block (SMF)	58,633,624	58,633,624	1,205,190,058	1,205,190,057
Other				
Public health funding	7,121,014	7,121,014	92,590,154	92,590,154
Overdeposit	0	75,173,558	0	75,406,356
Cross border	53,200,000	53,200,000	53,200,000	53,200,000
Interest	31,197	31,197	1,054,284	1,054,284
Total Other (Pool)	60,352,211	135,525,768	146,844,438	222,250,793
Grand Total	573,698,009	573,698,009	9,870,680,579	9,870,680,579

**Victoria has advised it is unable to provide payment information by service category as its 2016-17 service agreements with LHNs do not set separate budgets at that level.*

Total ABF (Pool) is an aggregate of both Commonwealth and state or territory NHR funding and payments for activity-based funding (ABF) which is transacted through the state pool account.

Total Block (SMF) is an aggregate of both Commonwealth and state or territory NHR funding and payments for block funding which is transacted through the state managed fund (SMF).

Total Other (Pool) represents other funding and payments transacted through the state pool account, including public health funding, overdeposits, cross-border funding and payments, and interest.

State and territory cross-border payments can either be:

- Paid to the relevant state or territory's LHNs – included within ABF and/or block payments in the above table, or

- Reimbursed to the relevant state or territory where the state or territory's LHNs are already being funded for the cost of treating cross-border patients – shown in the Cross-border row under Other in the above table.

NHR funding and payments shown in these tables include GST where applicable.

For more information, see [National Health Reform funding and payments](#).

NHR contributions by local hospital network

Table 4a – NHR contributions by local hospital network – Victoria, June 2017

This table shows NHR contributions (from state, territory and Commonwealth sources) made to each LHN in Victoria during June 2017.

NHR contributions to local hospital networks (LHNs) are separated into an activity-based funding (ABF) component and a block component.

Local hospital network	ABF component (ex GST) (\$)	Block component (ex GST) (\$)	Total NHR payments (ex GST) (\$)
Albury Wodonga Health	4,283,027	1,024,832	5,307,859
Alexandra District Hospital	0	243,628	243,628
Alfred Health	29,449,397	2,782,879	32,232,276
Alpine Health	0	457,698	457,698
Austin Health	23,850,140	1,436,405	25,286,545
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service	3,551,992	95,009	3,647,001
Ballarat Health Services	10,498,146	1,708,090	12,206,236
Barwon Health	17,252,282	2,210,721	19,463,003
Bass Coast Regional Health	3,468,350	48,761	3,517,111
Beaufort & Skipton Health Service	0	178,353	178,353
Beechworth Health Service	0	162,001	162,001
Benalla Health	753,611	3,637	757,248
Bendigo Health Care Group	9,425,990	1,965,273	11,391,263
Boort District Health	0	116,803	116,803
Calvary Health Care Bethlehem	747,489	18,267	765,756
Casterton Memorial Hospital	0	146,857	146,857
Castlemaine Health	1,371,002	14,238	1,385,240
Central Gippsland Health Service	2,157,158	169,347	2,326,505
Cobram District Health	0	256,377	256,377
Cohuna District Hospital	0	217,738	217,738
Colac Area Health	889,013	12,999	902,012
Contracted Services LHN - Victoria	1,981,030	0	1,981,030
Dental Health Services Victoria	0	0	0
Djerriwarrh Health Services	1,671,079	26,290	1,697,369
East Grampians Health Service	682,698	41,768	724,466
East Wimmera Health Service	0	487,880	487,880
Eastern Health	32,858,625	4,344,158	37,202,783
Echuca Regional Health	1,720,766	154,315	1,875,081
Edenhope and District Memorial Hospital	0	134,873	134,873
Gippsland Southern Health Service	713,131	14,404	727,535
Goulburn Valley Health	6,177,396	1,125,750	7,303,146
Heathcote Health	0	131,301	131,301
Hepburn Health Service	0	832,563	832,563
Hesse Rural Health Service	0	75,511	75,511
Heywood Rural Health	0	123,240	123,240

Local hospital network	ABF component (ex GST)	Block component (ex GST)	Total NHR payments (ex GST)
Inglewood & Districts Health Service	0	75,467	75,467
Kerang District Health	0	250,126	250,126
Kilmore & District Hospital	0	488,898	488,898
Kooweerup Regional Health Services	0	211,624	211,624
Kyabram & District Health Services	550,144	1,856	552,000
Kyneton District Health Service	0	766,880	766,880
Latrobe Regional Hospital	6,448,894	1,612,982	8,061,876
Lorne Community Hospital	0	99,412	99,412
Maldon Hospital	0	48,490	48,490
Mallee Track Health and Community Service	0	163,237	163,237
Mansfield District Hospital	0	282,462	282,462
Maryborough District Health Service	676,381	58,122	734,503
Melbourne Health	24,474,044	6,302,518	30,776,562
Mercy Public Hospitals Inc.	12,102,197	1,939,008	14,041,205
Monash Health	48,437,409	5,688,359	54,125,768
Moynes Health Services	0	266,402	266,402
Nathalia District Hospital	0	74,047	74,047
Northeast Health Wangaratta	4,604,960	153,443	4,758,403
Northern Health	15,875,717	647,028	16,522,745
Numurkah District Health Service	0	355,679	355,679
Omeo District Health	0	67,125	67,125
Orbost Regional Health	0	232,646	232,646
Otway Health & Community Services	0	212,520	212,520
Peninsula Health	16,658,292	1,817,267	18,475,559
Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute	5,076,671	137,478	5,214,149
Portland District Health	1,503,759	8,853	1,512,612
Ramsay Health Care Limited (Mildura Base Hospital)	3,755,645	580,664	4,336,309
Robinvale District Health Services	0	247,390	247,390
Rochester & Elmore District Health Service	0	219,939	219,939
Rural Northwest Health	0	392,725	392,725
Seymour District Memorial Hospital	0	575,974	575,974
South Gippsland Hospital	0	218,801	218,801
South West Healthcare	4,386,520	806,565	5,193,085
St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)	16,027,456	2,899,506	18,926,962
Stawell Regional Health	570,637	15,684	586,321
Swan Hill District Health	1,354,740	36,750	1,391,490
Tallangatta Health Service	0	139,507	139,507
Terang & Mortlake Health Service	0	215,726	215,726
The Royal Children's Hospital	16,422,884	1,163,567	17,586,451
The Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital	3,551,608	75,947	3,627,555
The Royal Women's Hospital	8,763,908	378,605	9,142,513
Timboon & District Healthcare Service	0	157,870	157,870
Upper Murray Health & Community Services	0	159,209	159,209
Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health	0	2,070,872	2,070,872
West Gippsland Healthcare Group	2,712,800	119,327	2,832,127
West Wimmera Health Service	0	577,159	577,159

Local hospital network	ABF component (ex GST)	Block component (ex GST)	Total NHR payments (ex GST)
Western District Health Service	1,487,375	194,763	1,682,138
Western Health	25,012,383	2,080,146	27,092,529
Wimmera Health Care Group	2,120,489	130,426	2,250,915
Yarram & District Health Service	0	213,540	213,540
Yarrawonga Health	0	332,599	332,599
Yea & District Memorial Hospital	0	90,699	90,699
Total	376,077,235	56,817,855	432,895,090

See explanatory notes below table 4b.

Table 4b – NHR contributions by local hospital network YTD – Victoria, June 2017

This table shows YTD NHR contributions (from state, territory and Commonwealth sources) made to each LHN in Victoria as at June 2017.

NHR contributions to LHNs are separated into an activity-based funding (ABF) component and a block component.

Local hospital network	ABF component YTD (ex GST) (\$)	Block component YTD (ex GST) (\$)	Total NHR payments YTD (ex GST) (\$)
Albury Wodonga Health	99,617,884	22,657,786	122,275,670
Alexandra District Hospital	0	5,656,661	5,656,661
Alfred Health	665,956,036	56,234,415	722,190,451
Alpine Health	0	10,529,955	10,529,955
Austin Health	540,352,225	46,631,691	586,983,916
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service	50,937,665	2,181,009	53,118,674
Ballarat Health Services	216,424,663	31,654,354	248,079,017
Barwon Health	396,562,307	44,921,481	441,483,788
Bass Coast Regional Health	36,406,597	1,125,729	37,532,326
Beaufort & Skipton Health Service	0	4,127,774	4,127,774
Beechworth Health Service	0	3,734,825	3,734,825
Benalla Health	17,453,265	238,213	17,691,478
Bendigo Health Care Group	214,715,040	41,984,233	256,699,273
Boort District Health	0	2,161,405	2,161,405
Calvary Health Care Bethlehem	18,606,089	485,223	19,091,312
Casterton Memorial Hospital	0	3,475,557	3,475,557
Castlemaine Health	22,433,215	358,478	22,791,693
Central Gippsland Health Service	49,677,758	2,394,347	52,072,105
Cobram District Health	0	6,014,451	6,014,451
Cohuna District Hospital	0	5,140,189	5,140,189
Colac Area Health	20,650,113	312,983	20,963,096
Contracted Services LHN - Victoria	45,905,662	0	45,905,662
Dental Health Services Victoria	0	0	0
Djerriwarrh Health Services	41,538,679	691,131	42,229,810

Local hospital network	ABF component YTD (ex GST)	Block component YTD (ex GST)	Total NHR payments YTD (ex GST)
East Grampians Health Service	16,333,906	1,134,114	17,468,020
East Wimmera Health Service	0	11,768,671	11,768,671
Eastern Health	641,791,035	91,351,757	733,142,792
Echuca Regional Health	40,270,174	2,165,680	42,435,854
Edenhope and District Memorial Hospital	0	3,150,507	3,150,507
Gippsland Southern Health Service	16,662,431	362,195	17,024,626
Goulburn Valley Health	136,006,587	24,773,639	160,780,226
Heathcote Health	0	2,341,726	2,341,726
Hepburn Health Service	0	9,381,803	9,381,803
Hesse Rural Health Service	0	1,845,165	1,845,165
Heywood Rural Health	0	2,486,805	2,486,805
Inglewood & Districts Health Service	0	1,777,160	1,777,160
Kerang District Health	0	5,897,526	5,897,526
Kilmore & District Hospital	0	11,510,661	11,510,661
Kooweerup Regional Health Services	0	4,858,095	4,858,095
Kyabram & District Health Services	12,741,744	96,808	12,838,552
Kyneton District Health Service	0	8,961,296	8,961,296
Latrobe Regional Hospital	147,148,855	35,411,214	182,560,069
Lorne Community Hospital	0	2,290,269	2,290,269
Maldon Hospital	0	1,153,697	1,153,697
Mallee Track Health and Community Service	0	3,743,491	3,743,491
Mansfield District Hospital	0	6,675,821	6,675,821
Maryborough District Health Service	16,038,136	478,522	16,516,658
Melbourne Health	578,241,958	132,955,151	711,197,109
Mercy Public Hospitals Inc.	263,214,721	28,841,881	292,056,602
Monash Health	1,111,986,847	119,846,279	1,231,833,126
Moyne Health Services	0	3,682,070	3,682,070
Nathalia District Hospital	0	1,737,599	1,737,599
Northeast Health Wangaratta	86,692,810	3,061,623	89,754,433
Northern Health	369,659,589	11,129,826	380,789,415
Numurkah District Health Service	0	8,172,028	8,172,028
Omeo District Health	0	1,552,791	1,552,791
Orbost Regional Health	0	5,474,071	5,474,071
Otway Health & Community Services	0	2,891,308	2,891,308
Peninsula Health	386,103,732	39,777,338	425,881,070
Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute	115,969,571	3,818,748	119,788,319
Portland District Health	24,368,423	200,853	24,569,276
Ramsay Health Care Limited (Mildura Base Hospital)	87,904,557	12,796,104	100,700,661
Robinvale District Health Services	0	5,739,377	5,739,377
Rochester & Elmore District Health Service	0	5,062,038	5,062,038
Rural Northwest Health	0	8,406,492	8,406,492
Seymour District Memorial Hospital	0	11,939,730	11,939,730
South Gippsland Hospital	0	5,226,413	5,226,413
South West Healthcare	102,175,645	17,566,390	119,742,035

Local hospital network	ABF component YTD (ex GST)	Block component YTD (ex GST)	Total NHR payments YTD (ex GST)
St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)	372,765,355	54,869,500	427,634,855
Stawell Regional Health	13,289,351	389,084	13,678,435
Swan Hill District Health	31,586,847	853,850	32,440,697
Tallangatta Health Service	0	2,872,424	2,872,424
Terang & Mortlake Health Service	0	5,062,876	5,062,876
The Royal Children's Hospital	372,201,103	24,634,760	396,835,863
The Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital	81,682,618	1,749,147	83,431,765
The Royal Women's Hospital	192,357,995	4,863,337	197,221,332
Timboon & District Healthcare Service	0	3,708,140	3,708,140
Upper Murray Health & Community Services	0	3,621,039	3,621,039
Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health	0	47,296,578	47,296,578
West Gippsland Healthcare Group	62,627,648	2,318,307	64,945,955
West Wimmera Health Service	0	13,304,548	13,304,548
Western District Health Service	34,035,095	4,072,721	38,107,816
Western Health	563,566,263	20,825,488	584,391,751
Wimmera Health Care Group	49,756,196	2,012,426	51,768,622
Yarram & District Health Service	0	4,923,962	4,923,962
Yarrawonga Health	0	7,848,077	7,848,077
Yea & District Memorial Hospital	0	2,137,605	2,137,605
Total	8,364,416,390	1,163,570,491	9,527,986,881

NHR payments in this table are GST exclusive to enable comparability of NHR payments in each LHN report.

Note: This table excludes GST. The majority of government funding to LHNs is not subject to GST. However in some cases hospital funding to non-government entities does attract GST, for example, denominational hospitals, privately and commercially owned health facilities, or any other non-government third party provider of health services or related supplies.

For more information, see [National Health Reform funding and payments](#).

Estimated monthly, YTD and annual activity

States and territories provide service volume *estimates* at the start of each financial year, and if required, can continue to refine these estimates during the course of the year. These *estimates* form the basis of monthly reporting of service volumes until *actual* service numbers become available. These estimates are expressed as National Weighted Activity Units (NWAU).

States and territories provide estimated annual NWAU to the Administrator as a basis for determining the Commonwealth activity-based funding. Current month NWAU estimates accumulate through the year-to-date (YTD) NWAU, to be equal to the annual NWAU at the end of the financial year.

States and territories may also provide activity information relating to the delivery of other public hospital functions funded.

Table 5 – Estimated monthly, YTD and annual NWAU by local hospital network – Victoria, June 2017

This table shows estimated state or territory hospital activity for activity-based funding services expressed as NWAU for June 2017, the associated cumulative year-to-date (YTD), and total estimated annual NWAU for each LHN in Victoria.

Local hospital network	Estimated NWAU funded in current month	Estimated NWAU funded YTD	Estimated annual NWAU 2016-17
Albury Wodonga Health	2,212	18,598	18,598
Alfred Health	14,346	152,917	152,917
Austin Health	17,861	152,486	152,486
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service	1,399	13,122	13,122
Ballarat Health Services	5,529	50,180	50,180
Barwon Health	10,173	94,899	94,899
Bass Coast Regional Health	787	7,289	7,289
Benalla Health	914	4,592	4,592
Bendigo Health Care Group	7,511	52,504	52,504
Calvary Health Care Bethlehem	503	5,179	5,179
Castlemaine Health	697	4,945	4,945
Central Gippsland Health Service	1,259	11,614	11,614
Colac Area Health	696	5,132	5,132
Contracted Services LHN - Victoria	1,739	10,132	10,132
Djerriwarrh Health Services	821	7,606	7,606
East Grampians Health Service	620	3,639	3,639
Eastern Health	18,370	161,722	161,722
Echuca Regional Health	1,020	9,402	9,402
Gippsland Southern Health Service	365	3,398	3,398
Goulburn Valley Health	3,370	31,139	31,139
Kyabram & District Health Services	167	2,885	2,885
Latrobe Regional Hospital	4,392	36,295	36,295
Maryborough District Health Service	357	3,166	3,166
Melbourne Health	12,639	120,605	120,605
Mercy Public Hospitals Inc.	6,362	61,330	61,330
Monash Health	29,957	280,762	280,762
Northeast Health Wangaratta	2,034	20,124	20,124
Northern Health	9,626	95,189	95,189

Local hospital network	Estimated NWAU funded in current month	Estimated NWAU funded YTD	Estimated annual NWAU 2016-17
Peninsula Health	8,447	93,631	93,631
Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute	2,185	20,921	20,921
Portland District Health	353	4,279	4,279
Ramsay Health Care Limited (Mildura Base Hospital)	2,242	21,294	21,294
South West Healthcare	2,146	22,009	22,009
St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)	10,947	88,271	88,271
Stawell Regional Health	411	3,342	3,342
Swan Hill District Health	743	8,066	8,066
The Royal Children's Hospital	9,654	81,273	81,273
The Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital	2,811	19,549	19,549
The Royal Women's Hospital	3,446	44,949	44,949
West Gippsland Healthcare Group	1,651	14,040	14,040
Western District Health Service	969	7,737	7,737
Western Health	13,632	137,764	137,764
Wimmera Health Care Group	1,649	12,268	12,268
Total	217,009	2,000,244	2,000,244

An NWAU is a measure of health service activity expressed as a common unit. It provides a way of comparing and valuing each public hospital service, whether they are admissions, emergency department presentations or outpatient episodes, by weighting them for their clinical complexity. The average hospital service is worth one NWAU – the most intensive and expensive activities are worth multiple NWAU, the simplest and least expensive are worth fractions of an NWAU.

Monthly NHR payments relate to the cash needs of public hospitals and do not necessarily reflect the volume of services to be delivered in the month.

For more information on the NWAU calculation, see [Calculation of NWAU](#).