

WORKSHOP 6: 13:30 – 16:30, Tuesday 9 September 2025

TITLE: System wide integration of value-based healthcare – the Australian experience

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WHO WILL BE INTERESTED?

This workshop is designed with hospital managers, casemix experts, decision-makers, researchers, and academics in mind, as it focuses on how value-based healthcare has been implemented in Australia using nationally reported patient indicators for adverse events in hospitals.

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES:

- Introduce participants to the principles of value-based health care
- Understand the challenges and limitations when implementing system wide value-based health care initiatives
- Learn the basics of the pricing models which underpin the Australian safety and quality adjustments
- Understand the role of benchmarking in value-based health care
- Experience Australia's National Benchmarking Portal (NBP) live.

WORKSHOP OVERVIEW:

The presenters will give an approachable theoretical introduction to value-based healthcare and discuss implementation strategies and limitations. They will walk through the development and implementation of the adjustments Australia has introduced for funding safety and quality for hospital care – specifically, sentinel events, hospital-acquired complications, and avoidable hospital readmissions. They will then show how these funding adjustments have influenced the occurrence of adverse events in Australian public hospitals. Finally, they will also guide participants through how we developed Australia's first publicly available National Benchmarking Portal (NBP) and give a live demonstration of how it can be used.

Participants will be able to follow along with our demonstration of the NBP and will be involved in discussions regarding implementation challenges and solutions for value-based health care funding initiatives.