

## Health needs analysis

### Potential Priorities:

- Reduce risk factors for chronic disease.
- Improve the management of chronic conditions.

### Characteristics of specific populations and conditions:

- Perth South PHN has some of the lowest socio-economic areas in the Perth metropolitan region.
- These areas have increased lifestyle factors for chronic disease, a higher prevalence of chronic disease and higher hospitalisation rates.

### Patterns of overall health Status:

- Perth South PHN has a healthy population.
- Key concerns are high rates of overweight and obesity, increasing chronic conditions and a growing ageing population.

## Service needs analysis

### Priority Locations:

- Kwinana, Armadale, Serpentine-Jarrahdale and Mandurah.

### Characteristics of Locations:

- Areas with limited access to health services are Kwinana, Armadale, Serpentine-Jarrahdale and Mandurah.
- Stakeholders have indicated a need for better integrated and coordinated care across the health system.

### Patterns of workforce and service distribution:

- Perth South PHN has a lower supply of health workforce and services compared to Perth North PHN.
- Outer metropolitan areas and lower-socio economic areas have a lower supply of health workforce and services.

## Triangulation & Priorities

### Triangulation

Health Need	Service Need	Triangulation Result
Increasing chronic conditions	Health service need to be better coordinated and integrated.	Improve the management of chronic disease.
Increased risk factors for chronic disease	There are fewer services in lower socioeconomic communities.	Reduce risk factors for chronic disease in vulnerable communities.
Lower socio-economic communities have poorer health outcomes	Lower socio-economic communities have access to fewer health services.	Increase access to health services in lower socio economic communities.

### Priorities

- Improve the management of chronic disease.
- Reduce risk factors for chronic disease in vulnerable communities.
- Increase access to health services in lower socio-economic communities.