

National Youth Information Framework

The National Youth Information Framework, previously used in developing indicators for the Young Australians: their health and wellbeing 2007 report, is aligned very closely with the NHPF, with minor modifications to better capture health and wellbeing issues relevant to young people. This framework consists of three tiers:

1. Health status,
2. Determinants of health and
3. Health system performance,

and includes a number of dimensions within each tier. The National Youth Information Framework provides a comprehensive set of indicators across a range of dimensions that will help monitor the health and wellbeing of young Australians.

Dimensions of this framework

- **Tier 1: Health status**

Sub-dimensions of this framework

- **Deaths**

Mortality rates and life expectancy measures.

- **Health conditions**

Prevalence of disease, disorder, injury or trauma, or other health-related states.

- **Human function**

Alterations to body structure or function (impairment), activity limitations and restrictions in participation.

- **Wellbeing**

Measures of physical, mental, and social wellbeing of individuals.

- **Tier 2: Determinants of health**

Sub-dimensions of this framework

- **Community and socioeconomic factors**

Community factors, such as, social capital, support services, family function and environment, and socioeconomic factors, such as, housing, education, employment and income.

- **Environmental factors**

Physical, chemical and biological factors, such as, air, water, food and soil quality.

- **Health behaviours**

Attitudes, beliefs, knowledge and behaviours such as patterns of eating, physical activity, smoking and alcohol consumption.

- **Tier 3: Health system performance**

Sub-dimensions of this framework

- **Accessibility**

People can obtain health care at the right place and the right time, irrespective of income, physical location and cultural background.

- **Continuity of care**

Ability to provide uninterrupted, coordinated care or service across programs, practitioners, organisations and levels over time.

- **Effectiveness**

Care/intervention/action provided is relevant to the client's needs and based on established standards. Care, intervention or action achieves the desired outcome.

- **Efficiency and sustainability**

Achieving desired results with most cost-effective use of resources. Capacity of system to sustain workforce and infrastructure, to innovate and respond to emerging needs.

- **Responsiveness**

Service is client oriented. Clients are treated with dignity, confidentiality, and encouraged to participate in choices related to their care.

- **Safety**

The avoidance, or reduction to acceptable limits, of actual or potential harm from health-care management or the environment in which health care is delivered.