KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 10 – Comparative area resources, 2015–2017
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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Indicator Indicator type: Indicator

Short name: MHS PI 10: Comparative area resources, 2015–2017

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Description: Per capita recurrent expenditure by the organisation on mental health services for

the target population within the organisation's defined catchment area.

NOTE: There is no jurisdictional level data source available for this indicator, therefore, there is no Jurisdictional level version of this indicator specification.

Rationale:

• Equity of access to mental health services is, in part, a function of differential level of resources allocated to area populations.

Review of comparative resource levels is essential for interpreting overall
performance data, for example, an organisation may achieve relatively lower
treatment rates because it has relatively less resources available rather than
because it uses those resources inefficiently.

 When used with measures of population under care this indicator may illustrate relative resourcing in terms local mental health service delivery and therefore accessibility by proxy.

Indicator set: Key Performance Indicators for Australian Public Mental Health Services (Service

level version) (2015-2017)

Health, Superseded 13/01/2021

Collection and usage attributes

Computation description: Coverage/Scope:

All public mental health service organisations.

The following services are excluded:

 Public sector mental health services that provide a cross regional or a statewide specialist function

Methodology:

- Estimates of expenditure for defined population are based on expenditure reported by the mental health service organisation with specific catchment responsibility for the population, adjusted to remove any cross-regional and state-wide services included in the organisation's expenditure.
- Defined populations should match with catchment areas of the mental health service organisations.
- Recurrent costs include costs directly attributable to the unit(s) plus a
 proportional share of indirect costs. Cost data for this indicator is based on
 gross recurrent expenditure as compiled by Health Departments according to
 the specifications of the Mental Health Establishments NMDS. As such, it is
 subject to the concepts, definitions and costing methodology developed for
 the NMDS.

Computation: Numerator ÷ Denominator

Calculated separately for setting and target population.

Numerator: Recurrent expenditure on mental health services partitioned by mental health

service setting.

Denominator: Number of consumers who reside in the defined mental health service

organisation's catchment area, partitioned by mental health service setting.

Disaggregation: Service variables: Target population, service setting

Consumer attributes: Nil

Representational attributes

Representation class: Count

Data type: Monetary amount

Unit of measure: Currency

Indicator conceptual framework

Framework and

Accessible

dimensions:

Sustainable

Accountability attributes

Reporting requirements: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Organisation responsible for providing data:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare **Accountability:**

Benchmark: Levels at which indicator can be useful for benchmarking:

mental health service organisation

· regional group of services

state/territory.

collection required:

Further data development / This indicator cannot be constructed using the Mental Health Establishments NMDS because information about catchment areas is not available for all public

mental health service organisations.

There is no proxy solution available. To construct this indicator at a national level requires separate indicator data to be provided individually by states and

territories.

Catchment area data for all public mental health service organisations needs to be

available to report this indicator from national sources.

Other issues caveats: This indicator assumes that the expenditure reported by the local mental health

service organisation is directed to its catchment population and does not take account of cross border flows. The alternative approach of basing estimates on actual service utilisation by populations is desirable and needs to be explored in the future. Such an approach will require reliable utilisation data and development

of cost modelling methodologies.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: Key Performance Indicators for Australian Public Mental Health Services, Third

edition (2014)

Relational attributes

Related metadata

references:

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