



The **Australasian Allied Health Benchmarking Consortium (AAHBC)** is a network of Allied Health representatives from tertiary, teaching hospitals across Australia and New Zealand. The main purpose of AAHBC is to collaboratively innovate allied health activity and workforce initiatives to ensure evidence based and quality outcomes for consumers, staff, and our organisations. We achieve this by developing and implementing a standardised approach to benchmarking of allied health activity and evaluating processes and outcomes.

The group was established in 1997 to ensure consistency of allied health data collection for benchmarking across a network of collaborative teaching hospitals in Australia. Originally named NAHBC (National Allied Health Benchmarking Consortium), the group has now expanded to include tertiary hospitals from New Zealand.

Members provide input into health-related issues of broad, national significance as appropriate. AAHBC uses available data sources, including The Health Roundtable reports where available.

Terms of Reference

Membership criteria (validated annually)

- Tertiary, teaching hospitals
- Use of Health Activity Hierarchy to collect Allied health Activity data (formerly Allied Health Classification System)
- Compliance with annual data audit
- Agreement for each site to contribute to one project annually
- Willingness to participate in rotating Chair roster based on location (State, Territory, NZ)

Order of Chair rotation

- Queensland (current 2021/2022/2023)
- Victoria (2024)
- New Zealand
- Western Australia
- New South Wales
- South Australia
- Australian Capital Territory
- Tasmania

Current membership

Australian Capital Territory

- Canberra Hospital (Canberra Health Service)

New South Wales

- Wollongong Hospital (Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District)

Queensland

- Gold Coast University Hospital (Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service)

- Princess Alexandra Hospital (Metro South Hospital and Health Service)
- The Prince Charles Hospital (Metro North Hospital and Health Service)
- Sunshine Coast University Hospital (Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service)

South Australia

- Flinders Medical Centre (Southern Adelaide Local Health Network)
- Lyell McEwin Hospital (Northern Adelaide Local Health Network)
- Royal Adelaide Hospital (Central Adelaide Local Health Network)

Tasmania

- Launceston General Hospital (Tasmanian Department of Health)
- Royal Hobart Hospital (Tasmanian Department of Health)

Victoria

- The Alfred Hospital (Alfred Health)
- Geelong Hospital (Barwon Health)
- Casey Hospital, Clayton Hospital, Dandenong Hospital, Kingston Hospital, Moorabbin Hospital, and Victorian Heart Hospital (Monash Health)
- The Northern Hospital (Northern Health)
- The Royal Melbourne Hospital (Melbourne Health)
- St Vincent's Hospital – Melbourne (St Vincent's Health Australia)
- Sunshine Hospital (Western Health)

Western Australia

- Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital (WA Health)

New Zealand

- Membership under review

The Health Roundtable are invited guests to meetings.

Meeting frequency

- Bi-monthly
- Annual face to face meeting and workshop before The Health Roundtable Allied Health Improvement Group

Chair

- Established rotating roster for Chair between current members (on a minimum of annual basis)
- Annual membership fee is waived for the site/s represented by the Chair/s

Membership fees

- Annual cost of membership covers meeting expenses, project costs and additional reporting requirements
- This cost is reviewed annually
- Membership fees for 2022/2023 FY are \$100 per facility