

Transforming cancer care in Australia



Evidence-Based Solutions for Equity and Excellence

The Goal: *With the right support, every Australian, regardless of postcode, can receive the highest quality cancer care. Let's work together to make evidence-based, equitable cancer care a reality. There is significant gap in treating children age 4 to 11 years. We need early interventions that work and resonate with the values of youth.*

Investment in Cancer Care:

Despite a \$27 billion government investment in cancer care, treatment, and research in 2013-14, ongoing challenges persist, and there is no clear mechanism to track national progress.

CURRENT CHALLENGES

- **Inconsistent Cancer Care:** Variability in outcomes and care provided to people with cancer and their families across Australia.
- **Healthcare Disparities in Rural Areas:** Unequal access to high-quality cancer care, particularly for rural and remote populations.
- **Lack of Standardised Monitoring:** No national framework or indicators to track adherence to policy and improve outcomes.
- **Resource Utilisation Gaps:** Inefficient allocation of healthcare resources due to inconsistent guideline implementation.

PROPOSED SOLUTIONS

1

Develop a National Framework:

Establish standardised cancer care indicators to monitor adherence to cancer policy documents (OCPs).

2

Enhance Data-Driven Decision Making:

Benchmark and improve access to robust national data.

3

Leverage Established Initiatives:

Support endeavours to reduce disparities i.e., the Equitable Cancer Outcomes across Rural and Remote Australia (ECORRA) Program.

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Reduce Healthcare Disparities:

Fund initiatives that promote equitable access to optimal cancer care across all regions.

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