

What is Voice of the Patient?

- Around 14 million Australians rely on private health insurance for about \$22 billion of services every year, making it an essential part of the healthcare landscape.
- <u>Voice of the Patient</u> is the **first integrated tool** in Australia designed to give privately insured patients a say in their healthcare journey. Developed with leading actuaries, clinicians and statisticians, it provides one of the most comprehensive perspectives of clinical patient journeys in Australia, detailing what truly matters to patients.
- By giving patients the opportunity to share their perspectives, experiences and outcomes, Voice of the Patient helps stakeholders understand value and build more patient-centric systems.



FOR HEALTH FUND

An independent framework for patient feedback, making it possible to independently measure the value of healthcare services.



FOR HOSPITALS

An important resource to help strengthen transparency, foster development, improve systems and patient centricity.



FOR PATIENTS

By collecting the most important perspectives, the platform helps to ensure patients are at the centre of the care journey.

All contributing to a constantly evolving healthcare system

How does it work?

Voice of the Patient collates multiple data sources, from patient reported data to cost information. It uses numerous healthcare perspectives to provide a robust view on the **value of care** and a framework for measurement and improvement.



Fotal costs of care for a patient's condition over the care cycle



Patient Reported Outcomes

Information on patient, told by the patient without interpretation



Patient Reported
Outcomes Measure

Instrument or tool used to collect and measure information from the



Patient Reported Outcomes Based Performance Measure

Aggregating information from patients in a realiable way to quantify performance

45% response rate

Why do we need Voice of the Patient?

Hospitals, doctors or funders cannot produce quality healthcare in isolation. It is a team effort. Voice of the Patient **provides a platform for the most important participants in the healthcare journey** – the Patient. It provides an opportunity for the patient voice to be heard by using real-time data on the entire healthcare journey.

The Voice of the Patient has grown to become one of the **largest private patient-reported databases** in Australia.

The initiative has been growing consistently every year and is expected to reach in excess of 100,000 invited patients by the end of 2023. 2023 2021 2021 105,000 23,000

How does Voice of the Patient help us?

Voice of the Patient helps **health funds**, **hospitals and patients** to **build a better health system by**:

- Measuring what really matters most to patients.
- Measuring what the best hospitals do well and how the healthcare system can learn from these behaviours.
- Identifying treatment pathways that provide the best value to patients.
- Creating a landscape where hospitals compete based on the value of care and services delivered.

Voice of the Patient gives healthcare stakeholders exclusive, real-time insight into how their services compare across key metrics.



What does Voice of the Patient tell us?

Patients want efficient and holistic care. Voice of the Patient tells us the best facilities:



Generally outperform across both Patient Reported Outcomes (PROMS) and Patient Reported Experience (PREMS).



Are more proactive with patients across all facets of care.



Are more effective at engaging patients and making them feel heard, valued and cared for.



Are more effective at meeting patient needs during treatment.



Operate effective internal care coordination and communication.



Though instances of harm are rare, top performing facilities are more effective in addressing harm and are proactive to remedy.



Are generally more efficient with their delivery of care.



Spotlight on Orthopaedic Care

Private health insurers provide coverage for hundreds of thousands of orthopaedic surgical procedures in Australia every year, according to official records.

Orthopaedic procedures (hip, knee and shoulder) carried out at top performing facilities cost up to **10% less** than at lower performing facilities.

Top performing facilities have, on average, between **7% and 9%** shorter lengths of stay and use up to **10% less time** in theatre for Orthopaedic procedures, deliver more efficient care and generate better patient outcomes.



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