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Preventive Health and Chronic Disease Support: Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC) Expansion – New EPPCs Application Form GO7749

Closing date and time:	2:00pm (Canberra local time) on 11 August 2025
Commonwealth policy entity:	Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (department)
Administering entity:	Community Grants Hub
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5. Project/Activity Details

Requested Information	Applicant Response
<p>Provide a short title of your Application for this Project/Activity *</p> <p><i>Maximum 50 words</i></p>	<p>Endometriosis & Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC) – NSW Central Coast</p>
<p>Provide a brief Project/Activity description *</p> <p><i>Maximum 300 words</i></p>	<p>HNECC PHN seeks to commission an Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC) on the NSW Central Coast, identifying the Central Coast Community Women’s Health Centre (CCCWHC) as the preferred provider.</p> <p>CCCWHC is the region’s longest-standing women’s health service, operating since 1976. As a community-based, not-for-profit organisation, it delivers trauma-informed, integrated care across three locations - Wyoming, Woy Woy, and Wyong - making it well-positioned to host the EPPC.</p> <p>The proposed EPPC model includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A multi-disciplinary team (MDT) comprising an experienced women’s health GP, pelvic physiotherapist, nurse, social worker, and potentially a psychologist (site feasibility dependent) • Opportunities for staff to pursue advanced training in endometriosis and pelvic pain care • Exploration of virtual care options to enhance MDT reach and accessibility • Establishment of a local support group involving community providers • Delivery of care that is holistic, inclusive, and lifespan-focused

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6. Financial Details

6.1 Funding amount

Provide a breakdown of the proposed funding amount applied for (GST exclusive) *

2025-26 FY \$ M	2026-27 FY \$ M	2027-28 FY \$ M	Total \$ M
0.297	0.276	0.276	0.849

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7. Assessment Criteria

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7.2 Assessment Criterion 2

Requested Information

Alignment with Grant Opportunity Objectives and Outcomes (maximum 500 words)*

Describe how your organisations nominated GP practice will contribute to the outcomes of the grant opportunity as described in Section 2.1.

You must demonstrate this through identifying:

- how the activities proposed in your Nomination Form align with the grant opportunity's objectives and outcomes
- how the nominated GP practice will identify, engage and collaborate with relevant stakeholders to ensure the effective delivery of the grant objectives and outcomes.

Along with your response to this criterion you must complete the Nomination Form (available on GrantConnect). The Nomination Form does not count towards the word limit for this criterion.

Applicant Response – maximum 500 word limit

Grant Opportunity Outcome (GOO): *Increase access to an appropriately trained primary care workforce with capability and expertise in endometriosis, pelvic pain, perimenopause and menopause.*

Linked Activity: The primary care workforce that would be supported to provide specialised services to new and existing clients of Central Coast Community and Women's Health Centre (CCCWHC) under the EPPC are highly appropriate and already in place, and include female gendered GPs with advanced credentialing, a psychologist, a nurse and nurse practitioner, a social worker, and a sonographer. To support the grant objective of *"improving access to allied health and support services"*, the EPPC will include a women's health physiotherapist and expanded group-based education.

GOO: *Increase capability (awareness, knowledge and skills) for primary care health professionals in the diagnosis, treatment and management of endometriosis and pelvic pain, and the support, management and relief of symptoms of perimenopause and menopause.*

Linked Activity: The EPPC activity will allow additional capability uplifts for the primary care professionals delivering care via existing partnerships and professional development relationships including Family Planning NSW, Jean Hailes and the Australasian Menopause Society. s22

GOO: *Increase access for patients from priority populations, particularly those in underserved communities.*

Linked Activity: CCCWHCs proposed EPPC will prioritise access for women from several priority population cohorts, including First Nations women, culturally and linguistic diverse communities, LGBTIQ+ people, and women experiencing financial hardship. The service would recognise concerns regarding affordability and would be consistent with the substantive practice model of offering bulk billed and low-cost offerings, and proactive work to remove financial barriers to care. Free on-site childcare is available at all centres, s22

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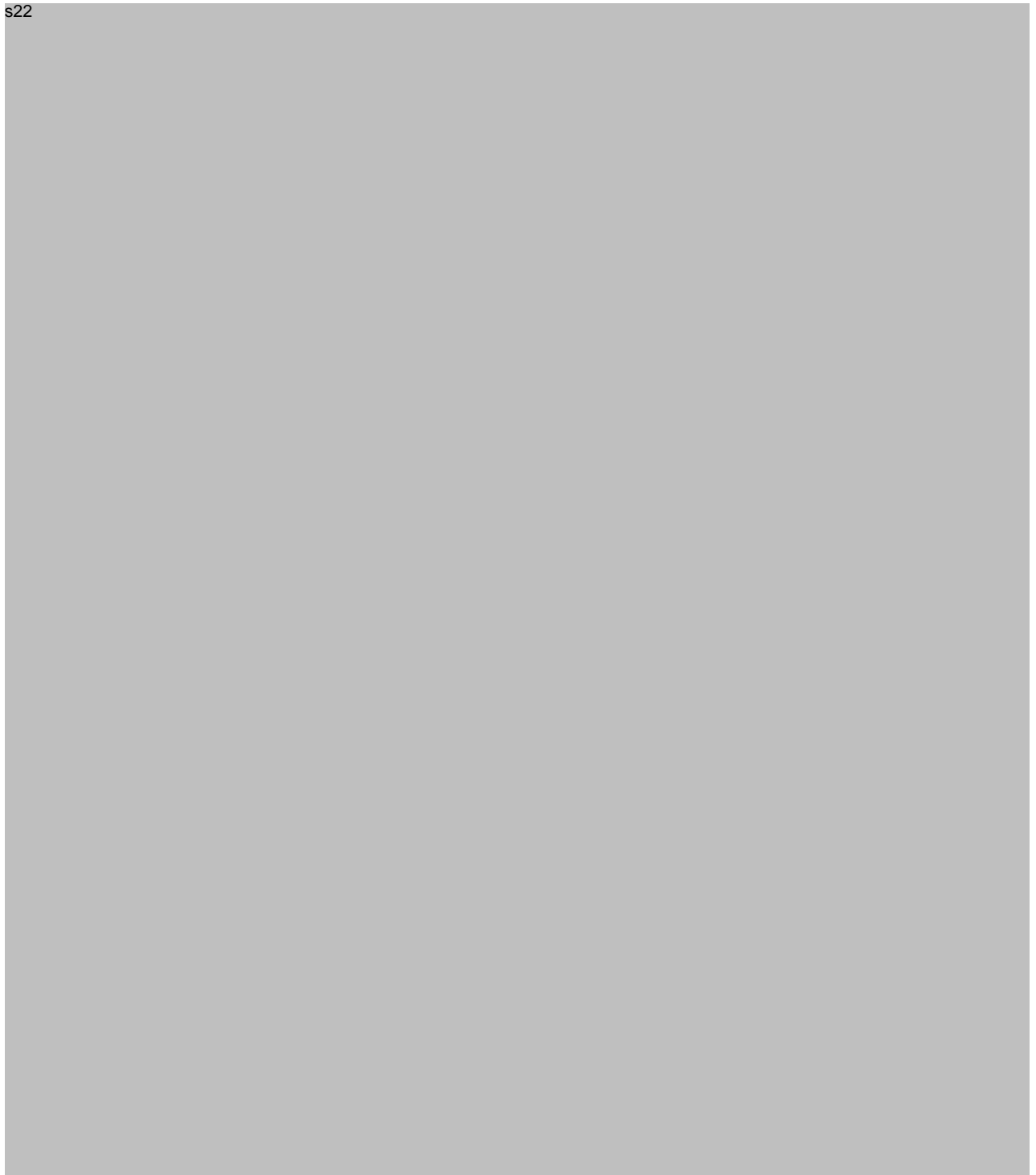
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Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics Expansion

Primary Health Network nomination process
New Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics

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Attachment B - GP practice nomination form

Please complete one form for each GP practice the PHN wishes to nominate (Maximum of two per PHN)

GP practice Full legal name	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre LTD
Trading name	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre
Primary Health Network	Hunter New England and Central Coast
Australian Company Number (ACN) if applicable	001 330 472
Australian Business Number (ABN)	82 001 330 472
Registered for GST	Yes
General Practice address	37 Maidens Brush Road, Wyoming NSW 2250
Postal address	PO BOX 2010, Gosford NSW 2250
Contact person	s22
Position / title	Chief Executive Officer
Telephone no.	s22
Mobile no.	s22
E-mail address	s22
Opening hours	<p>Mon: 9 am to 4 pm Tues: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Wed: 9 am to 4 pm Thurs: 9 am to 4:30 pm Fri: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Sat: Closed Sun: Closed</p>
GP practice healthcare team (check all that apply)	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Practitioner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female Gender General Practitioner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Practitioner with advanced credentialling (provide details: s22 Diploma in Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care; MS2Step prescriber; and Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Diploma; Implanon and Mirena accreditation) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Psychologist Onsite counselling team <input type="checkbox"/> Pelvic physiotherapist <input type="checkbox"/> Physiotherapist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dietician Two GPs with specialty training in nutrition <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nurse <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nurse practitioner <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social worker <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal health worker <input type="checkbox"/> Bi-cultural health worker <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sonographer Ultrasound equipment onsite. Early investigation only</p>



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	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Onsite free childcare available for women accessing the clinic
Accredited for RACGP Standards (this is a requirement for nomination)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Telehealth capability	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – phone and video <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes – phone <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Women’s healthcare services provided at the GP practice (check all that apply)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Endometriosis diagnosis and management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pelvic pain management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Perimenopause and menopause management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contraceptive care and advice <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LARC insertion and removal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sexually transmitted infection diagnosis and management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fertility care and referral <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cervical cancer screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pre-conception care <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical termination of pregnancy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - Pessary ring fittings, pelvic floor education and management, pregnancy choices consultations, breast checks, nutrition and women’s mental health. They have a team that supports women who have experienced trauma, including domestic, family or sexual violence.



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Extended response questions

<p>1. Provide a short overview detailing how the GP practice currently manages women with endometriosis (suspected or diagnosed), and / or pelvic pain including referral pathways. Response may include examples of diagnostic capability, multidisciplinary care team management, and use of local specialists, allied health or tertiary supports (400 words max).</p>	<p>s22</p>  <p>Their experienced women’s health general practitioners provide initial assessment and symptom management. This includes comprehensive medical history-taking, pain mapping, and use of validated symptom screening tools to inform clinical decision-making. CCCWHC have limited in-house ultrasound capacity, which can assist with initial investigation; however, in most cases, definitive diagnostic imaging is accessed through external providers. They maintain referral pathways to both public and private gynaecologists for surgical diagnosis and treatment.</p> <p>Management is women-centred and collaborative. CCCWHC utilise a multidisciplinary care team model that includes on-site counsellors, social workers and women’s health nurses, many of whom have experience supporting women with chronic pain, fertility concerns, and associated mental health impacts. Women also access health and wellbeing programs, which include pain management, nutrition, mindfulness, and body awareness groups. Where needed, they facilitate access to external allied health professionals such as physiotherapists with a special interest in pelvic health.</p> <p>Referral pathways are in place with Central Coast Local Health District gynaecology services. CCCWHC also regularly refer to private gynaecologists, particularly when timely access through the public system is limited. They have partnerships with local pharmacists and community health services further support medication management, hormonal therapies, and contraceptive options as part of care.</p>
<p>2. Provide a short overview detailing how the GP practice currently manages women with perimenopause and menopause symptoms including referral pathways. Response may include</p>	<p>s22</p> 



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<p>examples of diagnosis of symptoms attributable to perimenopause and menopause multidisciplinary care team management, and use of local specialists, allied health or tertiary supports (400 words max).</p>	<p>Women commonly present with a wide range of symptoms attributable to perimenopause or menopause. CCCWHC’s women’s health GPs provide thorough assessments, taking time to explore the physical, emotional, and social impacts of symptoms. Diagnosis is based on symptom history, menstrual changes, and, when necessary, blood tests to exclude other conditions or confirm hormonal transition.</p> <p>Management is highly individualised and may include hormonal therapies, non-hormonal medications, and lifestyle interventions to support mental health, cardiovascular well-being, sleep, and nutrition. Two of the GPs have specialised training in diet and nutrition, allowing them to offer tailored nutritional guidance as part of a comprehensive care plan. This is particularly beneficial for women experiencing metabolic changes or gastrointestinal symptoms during the menopause transition.</p> <p>The practices GPs work in close collaboration with the in-house trauma-informed counsellors, social workers, and nurse practitioner, ensuring a holistic response to each woman’s physical and emotional needs.</p> <p>CCCWHC maintain a referral pathway with the Central Coast Local Health District Menopause Clinic, which prioritises women with complex or acute health needs. While capacity is limited, they are able to refer clients to access specific allied health professionals from the service, including a women’s physiotherapist with expertise in pelvic health.</p> <p>To enhance early intervention and community support, CCCWHC are co-developing a group-based support program for women experiencing perimenopause and menopause. This initiative is being created in partnership with the Iris Foundation, the Debbie Gaunt Foundation, and the Read Clinic. It will offer psychoeducation, peer connection, and practical strategies for well-being through a holistic health lens.</p>
<p>3. Provide a short overview of the GP practice’s capability as outlined in the assessment criteria. Response may include details on practice volumes, an indication of service affordability (out of pocket costs or bulk billing) and communities served by the GP clinic e.g. Culturally and Linguistically Diverse people, First Nations, low socio-economic backgrounds (200 words max.)</p>	<p>CCCWHC is the largest women- focused not-for-profit health organisation on the Central Coast, operating from three locations: Wyoming, Wyong and Woy Woy, ensuring strong geographical reach and access to care across the region. Their model supports high patient volumes, with consistently full GP clinics and waitlists reflecting unmet demand for women-led, trauma-informed healthcare.</p> <p>s22</p> <p>[Redacted text]</p>



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	<p>Affordability is core to CCCWHCs approach. They offer bulk-billed and low-cost GP services, and work proactively with partners to remove financial barriers to care. s22 [redacted]</p>
<p>4. Provide a short overview of the GP practice’s approach to continuing professional development and training. Please include details of any advanced credentialling or training in women’s health, endometriosis, menopause, perimenopause or pain management (200 words max.)</p>	<p>s22 [redacted]</p> <p>Two of CCCWHCs GPs hold advanced qualifications in reproductive and sexual health, including the Diploma in Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care, the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Diploma, and are certified MS-2 Step prescribers. They are trained in Implanon and Mirena insertion, and have undertaken ultrasound training for reproductive health, which supports early in-house assessment, though imaging capacity remains limited. Both have also completed further training in diet and nutrition, enabling a holistic approach to menopause and pelvic pain management.</p> <p>s22 [redacted]</p>
<p>5. For GP practices who do not currently meet all the assessment criteria, provide information detailing how funding will be utilised to build capacity and capability of the GP practice to manage and provide primary care support for people with endometriosis and pelvic pain, and perimenopause and menopause women (200 words max.)</p>	<p>CCCWHC meet all assessment criteria.</p> <p>s22 [redacted]</p> <p>Their multidisciplinary team includes female GPs with advanced training in women’s health, including reproductive and hormonal health, LARC (Implanon and Mirena insertion), and nutrition. The Women’s Health Nurse is trained in cervical screening and forensic care for women impacted by</p>



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	<p>sexual violence. They also have an on-site counselling team and social workers, ensuring wraparound, trauma-informed support.</p> <p>s22</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>The three clinic locations, Wyoming, Wyong and Woy Woy, allow them to serve a broad geographic area.</p>
<p>6. Provide any further information or GP practice details to support the application against the selection criteria (200 words max.)</p>	<p>s22</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>The three established clinics located in Wyoming, Wyong and Woy Woy</p> <p>s22</p> <p>[Redacted] CCCWHC have a multidisciplinary team led by experienced women’s health GPs with advanced training in reproductive and hormonal health, LARC, and nutrition, supported by on-site counsellors and social workers.</p> <p>Their model is built around wraparound, low- to no-cost care, with free on-site childcare, well-established referral pathways, and a strong focus on priority communities, including First Nations and CALD women.</p> <p>s22</p> <p>[Redacted] It would enable them to reach more women, reduce wait times, and expand in-house allied health support, such as physiotherapy and group-based education. s22</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p>

Organization Details		Qualification Details				
Agency	Agency Name	Project/Activity Name	Start Date	Anticipated to be a full-time position	Has a position in the field	

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State	CLINIC
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NSW	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre
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PHN	2025/26 Funding (GST exclusive)	GST
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Hunter New England and Central Coast (HNECC PHN)	\$256,667.00	\$25,666.70

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2025/26 Funding (GST inclusive)	2026/27 Funding (GST exclusive)	GST	2026/27 Funding (GST inclusive)
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\$43,984.60	\$19,830.00	\$1,983.00	\$21,813.00

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2025/26 Funding (GST inclusive)	2026/27 Funding (GST exclusive)	GST	2026/27 Funding (GST inclusive)
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\$282,333.70	\$256,667.00	\$25,666.70	\$282,333.70

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2027/28 Funding (GST exclusive)	GST	2027/28 Funding (GST inclusive)	TOTAL FUNDING (GST exclusive)	GST
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\$19,830.00	\$1,983.00	\$21,813.00	\$79,646.00	\$7,964.60

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2027/28 Funding (GST exclusive)	GST	2027/28 Funding (GST inclusive)	TOTAL FUNDING (GST exclusive)	GST
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\$256,666.00	\$25,666.60	\$282,332.60	\$770,000.00	\$77,000.00

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TOTAL FUNDING (GST inclusive)
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\$87,610.60
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TOTAL FUNDING (GST inclusive)
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\$847,000.00
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Attachment B – Assessment Outcome

Suitable, recommended for funding

Clinic Name	State	PHN	Assessment Outcome
Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	NSW	Hunter New England and Central Coast (HNECC PHN)	Suitable, recommended for funding

Organisation Details														Comment/Notes	
Organisation ID#	TRIM #	Legal Name	AMOUNT APPLIED FOR 2025/26 \$M (DST inclusive)	AMOUNT APPLIED FOR 2026/27 \$M (DST inclusive)	AMOUNT APPLIED FOR 2027/28 \$M (DST inclusive)	TOTAL AMOUNT APPLIED IN APPLICATION FORM \$M (DST inclusive)	AMOUNT APPLIED FOR 2025/26 \$M (DST inclusive)	AMOUNT APPLIED FOR 2026/27 \$M (DST inclusive)	AMOUNT APPLIED FOR 2027/28 \$M (DST inclusive)	TOTAL AMOUNT APPLIED IN APPLICATION FORM \$M (DST inclusive)	AMOUNT APPROVED \$M (DST inclusive)	AMOUNT APPROVED \$M (DST inclusive)	AMOUNT WITHDRAWN \$M (DST inclusive)		AMOUNT HELD/STRT \$M (DST inclusive)
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s22	677	HNECC Limited	\$ 286,653	\$ 276,497	\$ 276,496	\$ 849,646	\$ 326,318.30	\$ 304,146.70	\$ 304,145.60	\$ 934,610.60	\$849,646.00	\$934,610.60			

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From: s22

Sent: Thursday, 11 September 2025 12:01 PM

To: s22

Cc: s22
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Subject: CM: RE: GO7749 - P7515 - Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC) Expansion - New EPPCs - UPDATE [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s22

I can confirm the Item C funding figures apply to all 11 PHNs

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Thanks

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From: s22

Sent: Wednesday, 10 September 2025 3:36 PM

To: s22

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Cc: s22
[Redacted text block]

Subject: RE: GO7749 - P7515 - Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC) Expansion - New EPPCs - UPDATE [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear s22

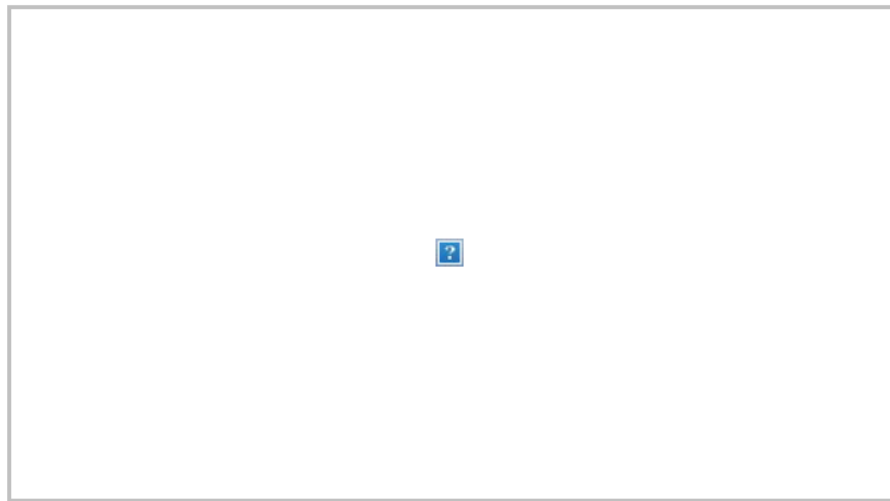
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Can I please also confirm as per the below screenshot will the funding figure be same for all the 11 PHNs?



Kind regards,
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Departmental Officer

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The Department of Health, Disability & Ageing acknowledges the traditional owners of country throughout Australia, and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures, and to elders both past and present.

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Mr Richard Nankervis
Chief Executive Officer
Hunter New England and Central Coast
PO Box 2288
Dangar NSW 2309

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Dear Mr Nankervis

**ENDOMETRIOSIS AND PELVIC PAIN CLINIC (EPPC) EXPANSION - NEW EPPCs - GO7749 –
OUTCOME OF FUNDING APPLICATION**

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The Assessment Committee has completed its assessment of applications from **Hunter New England and Central Coast PHN** against the Selection Criteria and have advised me of the following:

- 1) The GP Clinic recommended for funding:
Central Coast Community Women’s Health Centre

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PHN	GP Clinic	Funding available*
Hunter New England and Central Coast	Central Coast Community Women’s Health Centre	\$846,646.00

*GST exclusive. Includes \$79,646.00 PHN administration costs

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**Department of Health,
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Mr Richard Nankervis
Chief Executive Officer
HNECC Limited
PO Box 2288
DANGAR NSW 2309

Dear Mr Richard Nankervis

DEED OF VARIATION: PHN Pilots and Targeted Program Schedule – PHN Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics (EPPC).

On behalf of the Commonwealth, I am authorised to offer the enclosed Deed of Variation to the current Funding Schedule for HNECC Limited - **Primary Health Networks - Pilots and Targeted Program Schedule**

This variation will add a new activity - **Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic** to the schedule.

This Deed of Variation includes total funding of **\$934,610.60** (GST inclusive) to support the establishment of targeted Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics (EPPCs) in primary care settings for the Financial Years 2025 to 2028, as follows:

- \$326,318.30 (GST inclusive) for 2025-2026;
- \$304,146.70 (GST inclusive for 2026-2027; and
- \$304,145.60 (GST inclusive) for 2027-2028.

The Deed of Variation is to be read in conjunction with previous iterations of the Schedule.

Please ensure that your Activity Work Plan is updated within four weeks of execution of this agreement.

If Your Organisation wishes to carry out the Activities described in the Deed of Variation, please sign and date in accordance with Your Organisation's constitution. Please scan and return the signed Schedule to the Community Grants Hub at [s22](#)

Please note that the Deed of Variation will not be binding on your organisation or the Commonwealth and no legal obligations shall arise unless, and until, the Commonwealth signs the Deed of Variation and returns a signed copy to you.

If you have any queries, please contact Community Grants Hub at
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Yours sincerely,

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Assistant Director
Health Grant Establishment and Transitions
Community Grants Hub

23rd October 2025



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<p>Contact Officer:</p>	<p><i>Jessica Pratt</i></p>	<p><i>Assistant Secretary, Chronic Conditions and Hearing Branch, Chronic Conditions and Screening Division</i></p>	<p>s22</p>
<p>Clearance Officer:</p>	<p><i>Ariane Hermann</i></p>	<p><i>A/g First Assistant Secretary, Chronic Conditions and Screening Division</i></p>	

Purpose: Media release materials included in this package are to support you to announce the expansion of the Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics (EPPCs) program to include 11 new EPPCs.

Talking Points:

- I am pleased to announce an additional 11 Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics (Clinics). This brings the total number of Clinics to 33 nationwide, with at least one in each Primary Health Network region.
- The new Clinics are expected to receive funding by the end of the year and will provide tailored endometriosis and pelvic pain services. The expansion will support more clinics to:
 - provide multidisciplinary care
 - enhance support for endometriosis and pelvic pain across Australia
 - improve timeliness of diagnosis
 - promote early access to intervention, care and treatment options for endometriosis and pelvic pain.

- The new 11 Clinics will provide additional care, support, treatment and management for symptoms of perimenopause and menopause, right away. The existing 22 Clinics will start providing menopause-related care and supports from July 2026.
- There are Clinics currently available in all states and territories, with the new services now available in the following areas:
 - Winmalee, Wyoming and Wagga Wagga in New South Wales
 - Werribee, Dandenong and Morwell in Victoria
 - Oxley, Norman Gardens, Drayton and Blackall in Queensland and
 - Perth in Western Australia.¹
- These areas did not previously have Clinics and expanding the availability of the services ensures accessible care in a wider range of areas.
- Although the Clinics increase the availability of multidisciplinary care, we understand the demand for endometriosis and pelvic pain services in some areas exceeds current capacity.
 - Importantly, in addition to these clinics, many general practice clinics and healthcare providers across Australia have a strong focus on women's health and continue to contribute to the care of individuals with endometriosis and pelvic pain.

Q&A:**Q: What is the EPPC program and why was it established?**

- The EPPCs were established in 2022 to improve access to timely, multidisciplinary care for individuals experiencing endometriosis and chronic pelvic pain.
- The EPPCs were part of a suite of initiatives being implemented to support women with endometriosis and chronic pelvic pain. Some of these include:
 - update of the *Australian Living Evidence Guideline: Endometriosis*, by the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, that was released on 10 May 2025, to support evidence-based diagnosis and treatment of endometriosis and adenomyosis.
 - the development of an Endometriosis Management Plan to support patients and their healthcare providers in primary care, anticipated to be released in the first half of 2026.
 - Continued funding for EndoZone, a digital platform for consumers and health care providers containing a vast range of information, resources, a symptom tracker and the latest research
- The program was designed as an interim measure to address longstanding gaps in diagnosis, treatment, and management.

¹ Electorates for areas listed are as follows:

- Macquarie, Dobell and Riverina in New South Wales,
- Werribee, Bruce/Isaacs and Gippsland in Victoria,
- Oxley, Capricornia, Groom and Maranoa in Queensland and,
- Perth in Western Australia.

Q: What does the expansion of these clinics include?

- On 9 February 2025, the Australian Government announced a \$573.3 million Strengthening Medicare [Women's Health package](#) to provide additional support to women to deliver more choice, lower costs and better health care for women.
- Under this package, \$19.6 million was announced over three years (2025-26 to 2027-28) to improve access to endometriosis and pelvic pain services and to provide support for women who experience perimenopause or menopause.
- Expansion of the EPPCs will extend the existing 22 EPPCs, open 11 new EPPCs, and ensure all 33 clinics can provide tailored support.

Q: Why are some services not bulk billed?

- EPPCs are existing GP clinics with existing operations.
- While many services are bulk billed, some clinics may charge fees due to their private operating models.
- With changes coming through for Medicare on 1 November, we anticipate a number of the EPPCs will be able to provide more affordable care.

Q: Why was perimenopause and menopause introduced into these clinics as part of the expansion announced on 9 February 2025?

- The Government is committed to supporting women with perimenopause and menopause.
- The existing EPPCs were selected based on being able to demonstrate existing expertise in women's health, this included identification of currently delivered services that included perimenopause and menopause services.
- As these clinics are already delivering these services in their practices, funding will support them to provide care and support for patients experiencing symptoms of menopause where the need arises in their region.
- Importantly, the existing 22 clinics will begin perimenopause and menopause services no later than July 2026.
- This time lag between now and when the perimenopause and menopause services begin in July 2026 will allow the existing clinics, in consultation with the Primary Health Network, to design a service model that fits the needs of their local regions.
- In addition to the expansion of the EPPCs, the Government also announced a significant investment through the 2025-26 Budget **\$792.9 million** to deliver improved healthcare access and affordability for women and girls, which includes this expansion, and several supporting perimenopause and menopause measures.

Q: What else is the Government doing to support improved healthcare access and affordability for women with perimenopause and menopause?

- The 2025-26 Budget invests \$792.9 million to deliver improved healthcare access and affordability for women and girls. This package includes a range of measures to support perimenopause and menopause:
 - \$26.3 million to implement temporary new health assessment MBS items for women experiencing menopause or perimenopause. This new health assessment item was implemented on 1 July 2025 and has been introduced for an initial two-year period.

- \$12.8 million for a public health campaign to help raise awareness and increase understanding of perimenopause and menopause symptoms and management options.
- \$2.9 million to develop national clinical guidelines for perimenopause and menopause to support a nationally consistent approach for care. An open, competitive procurement process to engage a supplier to undertake this work has commenced.
- \$1.5 million to increase awareness, and access to, available education and training for health professionals on perimenopause and menopause and supporting health professionals to undertake accredited training courses.

Consultations: Consultation for this media release was not required as the responsible team has carriage of work on the endometriosis and pelvic pain clinics.

Attachments:

- A. Dobell endo and pelvic pain clinic announcement

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Clearance Officer	Ariane Hermann s22
Division/Branch	Primary and Community Care Chronic Conditions and Screening Division
Has Writing & Support reviewed/cleared input?	Yes
Has Budget Branch been consulted if there are financial implications?	Not Applicable

Adviser/DLO comments:	Returned to Dept for: REDRAFT <input type="checkbox"/> NFA <input type="checkbox"/>
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SCHEDULE: Primary Health Networks - Pilots and Targeted Programs

Schedule Commencement Date: 1 April 2020

Schedule Completion Date: 31 October 2029

Agreement Id: s22

Schedule Id: s22



Schedule Commencement Date: 1 October 2025

Schedule Completion Date: 31 December 2028

Agreement Id: s22

PHN Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain GP Clinics

Schedule Id: s22

Item A DEPARTMENT'S PROGRAM INFORMATION

A.1 Program Name: Primary Health Networks - Pilot and Target Programs

A.2 Program Description and Objectives: Primary Health Networks (PHNs) have been established with the key objectives of increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of medical services for patients, particularly those at risk of poor health outcomes, and improving coordination of care to ensure patients receive the right care in the right place at the right time.

Item B YOUR ORGANISATION'S ACTIVITY INFORMATION (see also clause 11.4 [Definitions] of the Terms & Conditions)



B.14

Activity Name: PHN Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics**Activity Id:** §22**Activity Start Date:** 1 October 2025**Activity End Date:** 30 June 2028

This Schedule must be read and interpreted in conjunction with the 'Terms and Conditions For Standard Funding Agreement 2015' and Supplementary Conditions at Annexure A of the Schedule. The Schedule and the Terms and Conditions should not be read separately from each other.

Should the PHN Core Funding Schedule cease for any reason, including expiry or as a result of the Department exercising its termination powers under clause 10 [Termination and disputes] of the Terms and Conditions, the Department may choose to also exercise its termination powers under clause 10 [Termination and disputes] of the Terms and Conditions on Associated PHN Schedules.

Activity Details:

The Program provides funding to support the establishment of targeted Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics (EPPCs) in primary care settings.

Funding will be provided to the organisation to administer and deliver the Program on behalf of the department including entering into agreements with successful GP clinics. The funding is to be used to undertake activities that are designed to support meeting the objectives of the program, and used in accordance with the Grant Opportunity Guidelines, any aspects agreed to and advised by the Department during clarification sessions, and as specified in the accepted Activity Work Plan.

The key program objectives are to support clinics to provide multi-disciplinary care with a focus on improving diagnostic delay and to promote early access to intervention, care and treatment options for endometriosis and pelvic pain, and the treatment and management of perimenopause and menopause symptoms. Each year of funding provided is to continue to expand and build on investment in resources and initiatives, undertaken as part of the program, and/or to implement new activities.

Your organisation will support clinics to utilise funding to provide enhanced services for the treatment and management of endometriosis and pelvic pain, and the treatment and management of perimenopause and menopause symptoms, based on the needs of the community, including but not limited to:

- advanced training qualifications and further study;
- areas additional practice staff (e.g allied health, nurse navigators);
- enhanced referral pathways with local providers;
- associated equipment purchases; and
- education resources and activities for patients, their families and carers.

Activities must not merely duplicate resources or investment already available to the community. For example, existing services by health services, peak bodies, charities and/or state organisations.

Your organisation is required to provide data for program monitoring and continuous evaluation. You are required to support GP clinics for regular

quantitative and qualitative data collection and outcome measurements. You must contribute to and provide data and information for ongoing evaluation of the program.

The Department will provide any additional guidance materials developed by the Chronic Conditions Policy team as they are released to support the delivery of the grant opportunity.

Activity Performance Indicators:

1	Provision of administrative support and funding to enable EPPC operation.	Nomination of GP clinics Management of grant funding and contracts with EPPCs Adherence to grant guidelines and program requirements Support the department with ad-hoc information and data requests, by liaising with the department and EPPCs
2	Assessment and reporting of EPPC performance, budget and operations to the department annually.	PHN monitors EPPCs performance and budgets in line with agreed minimum standardised indicators, and reports progress on these. PHNs must support the EPPCs to develop processes that enable this reporting requirement to be met.
3	Undertake ongoing evaluation of EPPC activity outcomes	Activities are evaluated against the objectives of the program. Support EPPC participation and contribution to evaluation activities.
4	Ensuring the GP clinic is accredited to a recognised and relevant Standard.	100%

Additional Information

Location Information:

Your Organisation has advised that all or part of the Activity will be delivered from the site location (s) specified below:

	Location Type	Subtype	Name	Address
1	Direct Funded	Admin Office	HNECC Limited	Suite 1, Level 2 165 Lambton Road Broadmeadow, NSW 2292

Service Area:

Your Organisation has advised that the Activity will service the service area(s) specified below:

	Type	Service Area
1	Primary Health Networks Boundaries 2015	Hunter, New England, and Central Coast

Item C FUNDING AND PAYMENT (see also clause 3 [Financial provisions] of the Terms and Conditions)

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C.12

Activity Name: PHN Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics

Financial Year	Funding amount (GST Exclusive)	GST component (if applicable)	Total (GST Inclusive)
2025-2026	\$296,653.00	\$29,665.30	\$326,318.30
2026-2027	\$276,497.00	\$27,649.70	\$304,146.70
2027-2028	\$276,496.00	\$27,649.60	\$304,145.60
Total Funding	\$849,646.00	\$84,964.60	\$934,610.60

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ANNEXURE D – Budget – Primary Health Networks - Pilots and Targeted Programs

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Activity B.14: PHN Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics

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Signatories to this Agreement

Parties

Commonwealth of Australia ("Commonwealth"), as represented by and acting through **The Department of Health, Disability and Ageing ABN 83 605 426 759**, Sirius Building, Cnr Furzer and Worgan St, Phillip ACT 2606 ("**the Department**")

And

HNECC Limited ABN 51 604 341 362, Suite 1, Level2 165 Lambton Road Broadmeadow, NSW 2292 ("**Your Organisation**")

Executed by the Parties on the thirty-first day of October Year

The Parties agree that by signing this Schedule they enter into the Agreement, which comprises this Schedule (including its Annexures and any Supplementary Conditions), the attached Cover Letter, the enclosed document entitled 'Terms and Conditions For Standard Funding Agreement 2015' and any other documents incorporated by reference.

This Agreement is deemed to have commenced on 21 May 2020

Signed, Sealed and Delivered for and on behalf of the **Commonwealth of Australia** by the relevant Delegate, represented by and acting through the **Department of Health, Disability and Ageing ABN 83 605 426 759** in the presence of:

s22 [Redacted Signature Area]

(Signature of Departmental Representative) (Signature of Witness) 31/10/2025

s22 [Redacted Name Area]

(Name of Departmental Representative) (Name of Witness in full)

Company

Signed, Sealed and Delivered by **HNECC Limited ABN, 51 604 341 362** in accordance with its Constitution:

s22 [Redacted Signature]

(Signature of Authorised Person)/.....

s22 [Redacted Signature]

(Signature of other Authorised Person)/.....

s22 [Redacted Name]

(Name of Authorised Person in full)

(Name of other Authorised Person in full)

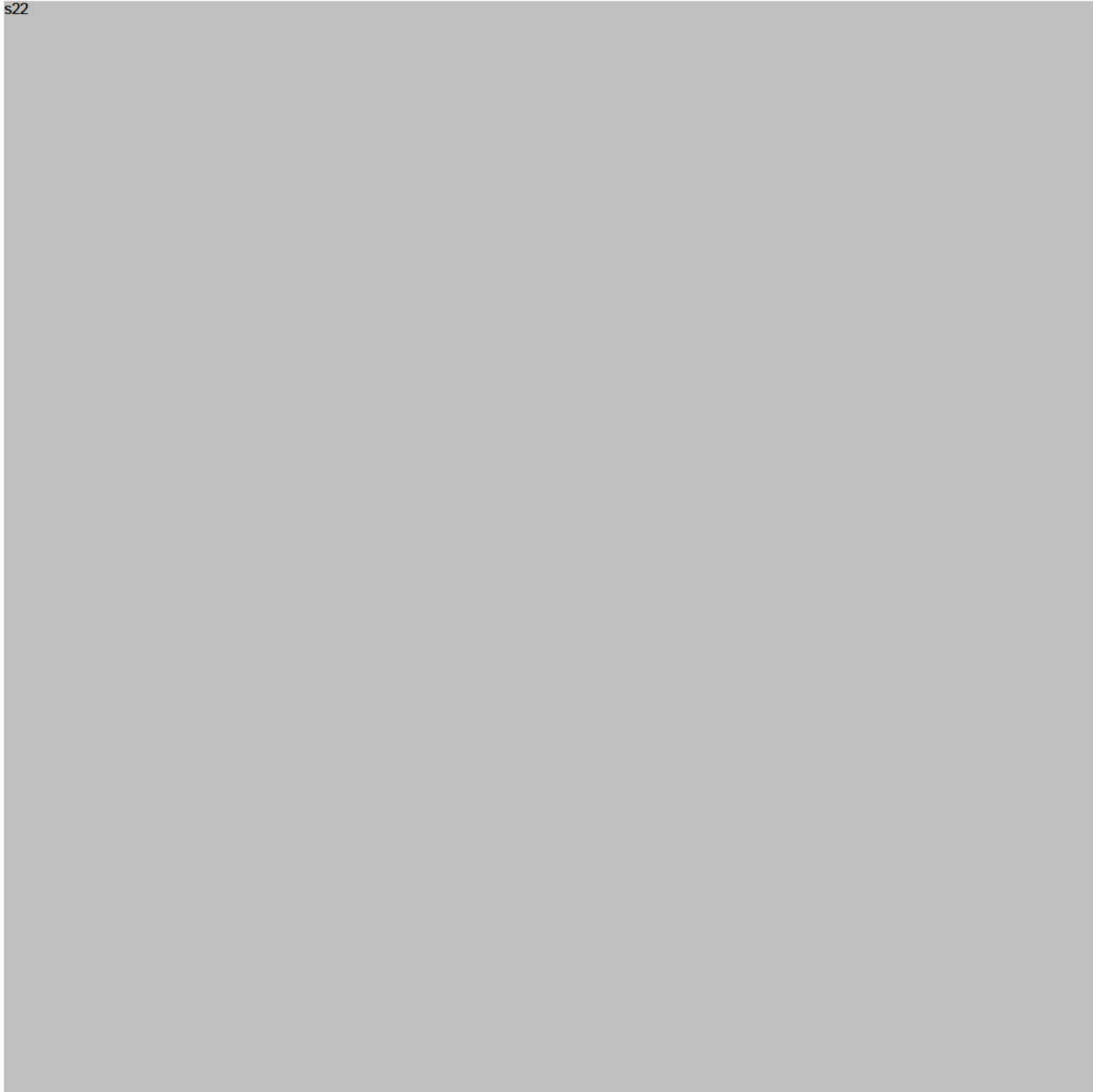
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Hunter New England and Central Coast - PHN Pilots and Targeted Programs

2023/24 - 2027/28

Activity Summary View

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PP&TP-EPP - 601 - 601 EPP - Central Coast Clinic



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

PHN Pilots and Targeted Programs

Activity Prefix *

PP&TP-EPP

Activity Number *

601

Activity Title *

601 EPP - Central Coast Clinic

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

New Activity



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Other (please provide details)

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain (Perimenopause and Menopause)

Aim of Activity *

To improve access to specialised care for women experiencing complex pelvic pain and endometriosis. The intention of these EPPCs is to enhance capability and capacity of GP/nurse led multidisciplinary care teams to embed the management of endometriosis and pelvic pain, and treatment of perimenopause and menopause symptoms as a core part of the care pathway for these conditions, optimising primary care

HNECC PHN seeks to commission an Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC) on the NSW Central Coast, identifying the Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre (CCCWHC) as the preferred provider. This will enable appropriate care and management, leading to improved diagnosis timeframes and appropriate pain management for impacted women.

This initiative aligns with national priorities to improve access to specialised care for women experiencing complex pelvic pain and endometriosis. The PHN will provide commissioning oversight, risk management support, and facilitate integration with local health services and referral pathways.

Description of Activity *

The proposed EPPC model includes:

- A multi-disciplinary team (MDT) comprising an experienced women's health GP, pelvic physiotherapist, nurse, social worker, and potentially a psychologist (site feasibility dependent)
- Establishment of strong local support groups and community partnerships with other organisation(s) delivering allied health services eg) Physiotherapy, Psychology to ensure integration with CCCWHC

- Early diagnosis, treatment and management of perimenopause and menopause symptoms as a core part of the care pathway for referred women
- Services to be delivered face to face from a physical base in specified location - CCCWHC Wyoming
- Exploration of virtual care options to enhance MDT reach and accessibility to accommodate the needs of the community
- Opportunities for staff to pursue advanced training in endometriosis and pelvic pain care
- Delivery of care that is trauma informed, holistic, inclusive, and lifespan-focused

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

HNECC PHN Needs Assessment - November 2024

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
NXA1 Improve access to primary care services	27
NXA9 Improve access to primary care referred specialist services	31
NXA2 Improve wait time to access a General Practitioner	28



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Women experiencing symptoms and will include priority population cohorts, including First Nations women, CALD and LGBTQI+

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

No

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Wyong	10202
Gosford	10201



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

PHNs Strategy Lead EPPC has commenced dialogue with the CEO of the EPPC to progress contract discussions and prepare an implementation plan for the EPPC service to commence this financial year as per funding requirements.

Collaboration

- Central Coast and Hunter New England Local Health District – Menopause Clinic and gynaecology services (JHH Pelvic Pain Clinic)
- HNECC PHN – HealthPathways (HP) platform, e.g. Endometriosis, Pelvic Pain and Menopause
- Local Pharmacies - support medication management, hormonal therapies, and contraceptive options as part of care
- Family Planning NSW, Vagenius and Pelvic Pain Foundation Australia, OPEN Online Pain Education Training modules– Clinical education, updates and specialist women's health, pelvic and pain management training for health professionals
- Jean Hailes Women's Health group and Pelvic Pain Foundation Australia - Pelvic Pain and Menopause resources for healthcare professionals and consumers
- General Practices on Central Coast – Promote the EPPC as a referral option for the target cohort.

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Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28
Interest - PHN Pilots and Targeted Programs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain GP Clinics	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$256,667.00	\$256,667.00	\$256,666.00

Totals

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Interest - PHN Pilots and Targeted Programs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain GP Clinics	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$256,667.00	\$256,667.00	\$256,666.00	\$770,000.00
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$256,667.00	\$256,667.00	\$256,666.00	\$770,000.00

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

Funding From Other Sources - Organisational Details



Activity Comments

Activity Status

Submitted

PHN Comments

Subject	Description	Commented By	Date Created
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Comments from the Department

Comment	Date Created
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From: s22
 Sent: Monday, 2 February 2026 11:03 AM
 To: s22
 Cc: PHNT, Jessica s22
 Subject: FW: 11 EPPCs and potential AMW media [SEC-OFFICIAL]

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I understand you will be leading the item on media and comms opportunities with Assistant Minister White this afternoon.

Jess Pratt and I need to leave the call before this item, but I thought it might be helpful to provide you with the status of the 11 Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain clinics, in case this is raised by the Assistant Minister.

For background, we have been working with the office, and sending through any requests for media/opening of the new clinics.

Of course we'd be happy to take any actions after the meeting and work with your team.

Kind regards

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Green - currently operational

	State/Territory	PHN	EPPC	Opening date	Recent media
1		s22			
2		Hunter New England and Central Coast	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	1 March 2026 (The Department is working with the PHN to try and bring this date forward)	www.dfgordonrcidmp.com.au - MP media release 17 November 2025
3	NSW	s22			
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A/g Assistant Secretary | Chronic Conditions and Hearing Branch |
 Chronic Conditions and Screening Division | Primary and Community Care Group |
 Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Aged Care

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From: PRATT, Jessica
Sent: Thursday, 29 January 2026 11:52 AM
To: s22
Cc: s22
Subject: 11 EPPCs and potential AMW media

Hi s22

Nice to chat! Sending through the discussed table with the status of the new 11 EPPCs (green = already operational, noting staff leave has impacted some timing but all have been told to take appointments) and media activities: s22



Jess

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s22	[Redacted]					
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Jessica Pratt

A/g First Assistant Secretary
 Chronic Conditions and Screening Division
 Australian Government, Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

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From: PRATT, Jessica [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, 10 February 2026 5:25 PM

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Subject: RE: 11 EPPCs and potential AMW media [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Cheers,
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Chronic Conditions and Hearing Branch

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From: s22
Sent: Tuesday, 3 February 2026 2:28 PM
To: PRATT, Jessica s22
Subject: Re: 11 EPPCs and potential AMW media [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hey Jess,

Sorry about the delay. Thank you for putting together this chart, super helpful. We've added comments below.

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Thanks,

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As you can see there has been some media already, then some clinics that have just kicked off with no media and there are others we can still work with. We'll take your advice on what you would like to do with each of these, I've added a column for your comments to help with next steps! We prepared 11 separate media releases for each clinic at the time of announcement in November but most weren't used, I've listed these in the table below.

Happy to chat if easier.

Cheers,
 Jess

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From: PRATT, Jessica s22
Sent: Thursday, 19 February 2026 12:38 PM
To: s22
Cc: HERMANN, Ariane s22
Subject: Update on EPPCs - s22 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Hi s22

Sending an update on the 11 EPPCs in the far right column of the below table. s22



Jess

	State/ Territory	PHN and MO media release	EPPC	Opening date	Comment/Recent media	MO Comment on Local member – early February	Department comment/ update as at 19 February
s22							
2		Hunter New England and Central Coast MB25-002468	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	1 March 2026	https://www.drgordonreidmp.com.au/media/media-releases/new-endometriosis-and-pelvic-pain-clinic-for-the-central-coast 17 November the local member put out a media	Will still proceed with open doors media,	Draft media release, MB25-002468 with MO for consideration.

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From: s22
 To: [PRATT, Jessica](#)
 Cc: s22
 Subject: FW: Update on EPPCs and endo initiatives - Monday 23 February 2026 [SEC=OFFICIAL]
 Date: Monday, 23 February 2026 11:42:55 AM

OFFICIAL

Hi Jess

The s22 Hunter New England PHN followed us up regarding an approach to a media request. I've stripped some of the detail out the update to make it clearer what we actually need from the MO

Good morning,

Please find an update on the EPPCs and recent endometriosis media below. Questions have been included under the Department comments column of the table for your consideration and advice.

Grateful for any updates on media releases for the EPPCs as we have received follow ups from the PHNs.

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	State/Territory	PHN and MO media release	EPPC	Opening date	Department update and/or seeking advice on next steps: as at 23 February	MO feedback -w/c 23 Feb
s22						
2		Hunter New England and Central Coast s22	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	1 March 2026	For visibility: This clinic officially opens on 1 March. PHN has invited the Minister to attend on that date or another suitable time. Question: Is AMW available to attend a small event on or around this date?	

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- *Green clinics are operational.

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From: PRATT, Jessica s22
Sent: Thursday, 19 February 2026 12:38 PM
To: s22
Cc: HERMANN, Ariane s22
Subject: Update on EPPCs - including change to 25 Feb Murrumbidgee visit [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Assistant Minister White – Briefing

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EPPCs Program Update

Progress update

Summary of the 33 clinics



Clinic operational status

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State	PHN	Clinic	Comment
NSW	Hunter New England and Central Coast	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	Soft launch mid-March, with an official opening date of 1 April 2026.

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Assistant Minister White

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EPPCs Program Update

Progress update

Summary of the 33 clinics



Clinic operational status

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State	PHN	Clinic	Comment
NSW	Hunter New England and Central Coast	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	Was due to open 1 March 2026. PHN advised of brief a delay and opening before mid-March.

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Key Issues

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The Hon Mark Butler MP
Minister for Health and Ageing
Minister for Disability and the National Disability Insurance Scheme

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Thank you for your correspondence of 11 March 2026 on behalf of s22 regarding the opening of the Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic at Wyoming.

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Within the Hunter New England and Central Coast Primary Health Network, the clinic will be located at the Central Coast Community Women’s Health Centre (CCWHC). To ensure the best possible service delivery, the CCWHC is reviewing best-practice models of endometriosis clinic care across Australia to inform improved models of healthcare and to increase access pathways for all women.

This process has resulted in a slight delay while recruitment of key staff is finalised, and appropriate staffing levels are established to meet anticipated demand. The clinic is committed to ensuring a positive experience for women accessing the service and to supporting staff who will be delivering a new service to the region. The clinic will commence specialised service delivery in April 2026.

Thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Mark Butler'.

Mark Butler

30/03 / 2026

From: [PRATT, Jessica](#)
To: s22
Cc: [HERMANN, Ariane](#); s22
Subject: FW: EPPC status Update [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Wednesday, 8 April 2026 5:34:20 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)
[Update on EPPCs and endo initiatives - Monday 23 February 2026 SECOFFICIAL.msg](#)

OFFICIAL

Hi s22

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As per the attached email we have been regularly emailing the office (this is just one example) with updates on the clinic openings (including the media releases provided for each) and seeking the MO's feedback on AMW's attendance/engagement.

I understand there were questions about the Hunter New England and Central Coast PHN's EPPC, the Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre:

- s22
 - On 17 November, shortly after the [Minister Butler's](#) announcement of the 11 clinic locations, the local member for Robertson, Dr Gordon Reid, published a statement about the new clinic with [quotes from AMW](#).
 - Dobell is Minister McBride's electorate.

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As requested we have updated the simplified table, if more information is needed on any of the below please let us know.

Jess

	State/ Territory	PHN	EPPC	Opening date
s22				
2	NSW	Hunter New England and Central Coast	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	1 April 2026

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Jessica Pratt

Assistant Secretary

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From: s22
Sent: Monday, 12 January 2026 11:07 AM
To: s22
Cc: HERMANN, Ariane s22
Subject: Action from Meeting 12/01 - status of 11 EPPCs [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Hi s22

As discussed in today’s meeting, we agreed to provide you with the status of the 11 new EPPCs, please see the below table. As noted in the table, we are working with PHNs to try and get the later opening dates moved forward.

Let me know if you need any more info on any of the clinics.

	State/ Territory	PHN	EPPC	Opening date
s22	[Redacted]			
2	NSW	Hunter New England and Central Coast	Central Coast Community Women’s Health Centre	1 March 2026 (The Department is working with the PHN to try and bring this date forward)
s22	[Redacted]			

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Kind regards

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From: s22
Sent: Thursday, 5 March 2026 4:55 PM
To: s22
Cc: s22
Subject: HNECC PHN EPPC Clinic
Importance: High

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INTERNAL

Hi s22

Apologies I thought I had sent this update through but have just found it in my drafts folder, unsent!
It's been a busy week. I have included s22 from the EPPC policy area for information, noting the original request was initiated there.

The clinic will commence an internal “soft launch” from mid-March, transitioning eligible existing clients to the new model to ensure processes and workflows are optimised.

Recruitment to key roles is being finalised with interviews for the nurse coordinator on 9th March and the clinical lead commencing on 23rd March.

Our team have, following a meeting with the provider last week, confirmed 1st April for the official opening, most appropriate for Ministerial attendance.

The above timeline will ensure appropriate staffing levels to meet anticipated demand following the launch, supporting program integrity, and ensuring a positive experience for women accessing the service.

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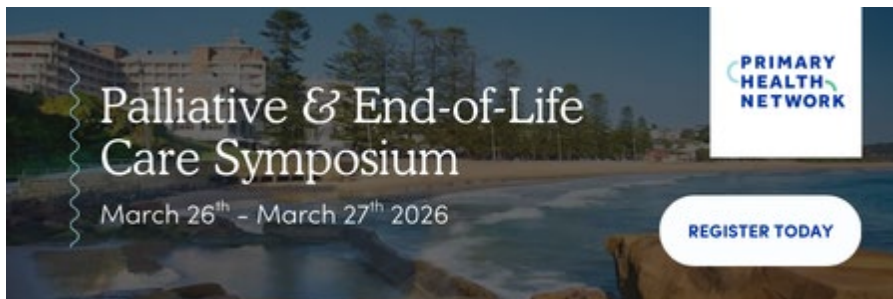
Should you need anything else, please let me know.

Kindest,

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Australian Government
**Department of Health,
 Disability and Ageing**

**Event Brief
 MB26-000906
 Version (1)**

Date sent to MO: 10 April 2026

To: Assistant Minister McBride

Subject: CC ENDOMETRIOSIS AND PELVIC PAIN CLINIC IN WYOMING

Comments:			
Contact Officer:	s22	Director, Chronic Conditions and Hearing Branch, Chronic Conditions and Screening Division	s22
Clearance Officer:	Jessica Pratt	Assistant Secretary, Chronic Conditions and Hearing Branch, Chronic Conditions and Screening Division	s22

Date and Time: Monday 13 April, 8.45am-10.00am.

Meeting Type and Location: In-person, 37 Maidens Brush Road Wyoming.

Traditional Custodians: Darkinjung, Guringai, Awabakal people.

Purpose: Announcement to mark the official opening of the Central Coast Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain (EPPC) Centre – talking points and Q&A are provided at **Attachment C**.

Key Attendees	Title	Organisation	Mobile No
Sara Foster	Chief Executive Officer	Central Coast Community Women’s Health Clinic	s22
Richard Nankervis	Chief Executive Officer	Hunter New England and Central Coast PHN	s22
Dr Gordon Reid MP	Member for Robertson	-	

Key Service Information

Opening date Permanent service: Existing health care centre, operating as an EPPC from 1 April 2026

Opening hours 8:00am – 5:00pm Monday to Friday

Number of visits/ services Data unavailable due to recent opening

Service opening order Commenced new services as an EPPC on 1 April 2026.
This clinic is one of the 11 additional EPPCs to open in early 2026. On 14 November 2025, Minister Butler [announced](#) the location of the additional 11 clinics, including the location of this clinic in the Hunter New England and Central Coast Public Health Network (PHN) region.

From 2022-23 to 2027-28 the Government has invested \$37 million for 33 EPPCs. The initial \$17.4 million investment for 22 clinics, was supplemented by a further \$19.6 million to deliver an additional 11 clinics and extend the original 22 clinics for a further two years.

Headline funding The additional 11 EPPCs were funded under the \$792.9 million women’s health package to increase capacity of primary care workforce to support women’s health needs, increase access to services and make both services and medicines more affordable. \$9.6 million was invested for the 11 new clinics.

Funding provided for the Hunter New England and Central Coast region’s EPPC is outlined below:

	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	Total
PHN Administration Funding	\$19,830	\$19,830	\$19,830	\$79,646
EPPC Funding	\$256,667	\$256,667	\$256,667	\$770,000

Workforce profile The GP clinic which delivers this new EPPC employs:

- GPs (with advanced credentialling – Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care; MS2Step prescriber; Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Diploma; Implanon and Mirena accreditation).
- Psychologist and onsite counselling team.
- Dietician.
- Nurse and nurse practitioner.
- Social worker.
- Sonographer.

Background:

- On 14 November 2025, the Government announced the locations of 11 additional EPPCs. The expansion will bring the total number of clinics to 33 nationwide, with one in each Primary Health Network region.
- Central Coast Community Women’s Health Clinic was one of these clinics announced.

Attachments:

- A. Biographical details
- B. Event summary and order of proceedings
- C. Talking points
- D. Summary of clinic and services provided

Attachment A

Biographies



Sara Foster
Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre

Sara's broad experience in leading diverse and dynamic teams spanning the Government, commercial, healthcare and academic sectors enable her to empower and support the 30+ all-female staff and volunteer teams of CCCWHC across its three locations in Wyoming, Wyong and Woy Woy.



Richard Nankervis
CEO of Hunter New England and Central Coast Primary Health Network

Richard Nankervis has been CEO since 1 July 2015. Prior to this, Richard commenced in the CEO role at the Central Coast Division of General Practice in 2011 and led the organisation through its transition to a Medicare Local in 2012. He was an Executive Director on the Board of the Bridges After Hours subsidiary of the Medicare Local, and Chair of the New South Wales Medicare Locals CEOs group.



Dr Gordon Reid MP, Federal Member for Robertson

Current Federal Member for Robertson. Dr Reid has experience working as a local emergency department doctor.

On 17 November 2025, Dr Reid released media announcing the central coast EPPC www.drgordonreidmp.com.au

Attachment B

Event summary sheet

Event: Central Coast Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Centre Official Opening

Date Monday 13 April
 Arrive 8:45am
 Depart 9:45am
 Duration 1 hour

Person the Minister is to be met by

Name s22
 Title Marketing and Communications Manager
 Contact phone s22

Venue

Street address 37 Maidens Brush Rd, Central Coast New South Wales 2250
 Contact phone CCCWHC – s22
 HNECC PHN – s22

Parking details There will be two designated car spaces reserved in the car park at the front of the building.

Order of Events	
Time	Event
8:00am	CCCWHC + PHN team on site to set up
8:45am	Guests Arrive AV presentation will be running on loop Tea/coffee and water available
9:00am	Commencement and opening comments MC Sara Foster, CCCWHC CEO
9:05am	Acknowledgement of Country Sarah-Jane Hill, CCCWHC Head of Client Services
9:10am	Assistant Minister McBride
9:15am	Gordon Reid MP
9:20am	Richard Nankervis, HNECC PHN CEO
9:25am	Media Questions
9:35am	Closing remarks (Sara Foster)
9:37am	Ribbon Cutting and Photo
9:40am	Morning Tea Facility tour led by Sara Foster CEO

Attachment C**Talking points:**

- Women and girls will now benefit from the new Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC) in Wyoming, funded by the Australian Government.
- The clinic is located within Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre in Wyoming.
- The Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre began operating as an EPPC in April 2026 and provides multidisciplinary services and care for endometriosis and pelvic pain. They also support women living with symptoms of perimenopause and menopause.
- The clinic has been commissioned by Hunter New England and Central Coast Primary Health Network.
- The clinic is one of the 11 additional EPPCs being delivered nationally by the Government.
- In total, there are now 33 clinics across Australia, with at least one in every Primary Health Network region across Australia, including 10 in New South Wales.
- You do not need a referral to attend these clinics.

Q&A:**Q: What is the EPPC program and why was it established?**

- The EPPCs were established in 2022 to improve access to timely, multidisciplinary care for individuals experiencing endometriosis and persistent pelvic pain.
- The program was designed as an interim measure to address longstanding gaps in the treatment, management and pathways to diagnosis of persistent pelvic pain related conditions. We are working to upskill all primary care clinicians, in the meantime the EPPCs provide specific support for women who need it.

Q: Why are some services not bulk billed?

- EPPCs are located within existing GP clinics with existing operations.
- While many services are bulk billed, some clinics may charge fees due to their private operating models.
 - EPPCs are encouraged to take a patient's financial situation into account when billing.
- With the bulk billing incentives through the Bulk Billing Practice Incentive Program available from 1 November 2025, we anticipate several of the EPPCs may be able to provide more affordable care.

Q: Why was perimenopause and menopause introduced into these clinics as part of the expansion announced on 9 February 2025?

- The Government is committed to supporting women with perimenopause and menopause.
- The existing EPPCs were selected based on being able to demonstrate existing expertise in women's health, this included identification of currently delivered services that included perimenopause and menopause services.
- As these clinics are already delivering these services in their practices, funding will support them to provide care and support for patients experiencing symptoms of menopause where the need arises in their region.

Q: What else is the Government doing to support improved healthcare access and affordability for women with perimenopause and menopause?

- The 2025-26 Budget invests \$792.9 million to deliver improved healthcare access and affordability for women and girls. This package includes a range of measures to support perimenopause and menopause:
 - \$26.3 million to implement temporary new health assessment MBS items for women experiencing menopause or perimenopause. This new health assessment item was implemented on 1 July 2025 and has been introduced for an initial two year period.
 - \$12.8 million for a public health campaign to help raise awareness and increase understanding of perimenopause and menopause symptoms and management options.
 - \$2.9 million to develop national clinical guidelines for perimenopause and menopause to support a nationally consistent approach for care. An open, competitive procurement process to engage a supplier to undertake this work has commenced.
 - \$1.5 million to increase awareness, and access to, available education and training for health professionals on perimenopause and menopause and supporting health professionals to undertake accredited training courses.

Summary of clinic and services provided

PHN/Clinic	Contact details		Clinic overview		Practice workforce	Services available
NSW – Hunter New England and Central Coast PHN Central Coast Community Women’s Health Centre	Address	37 Maidens Brush Road, Wyoming 2250	Modified Monash Model	MM1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPs (with advanced credentialling – Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care; MS2Step prescriber; Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Diploma; Implanon and Mirena accreditation) • Psychologist and onsite counselling team • Dietician • Nurse and nurse practitioner • Social worker • Sonographer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endometriosis diagnosis and management • Pelvic pain management • Perimenopause and menopause management • Contraceptive care and advice • LARC insertion and removal • Pelvic floor education and management • Trauma/violence support
	Website	www.ccwh.org.au	RACGP accredited	Yes		
			Payment method	Mixed billing practice		
	Opening hours	Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm	Not for profit	Yes		
			Telehealth	Yes – phone		

Minister	Assistant Minister McBride
PDR Number	MB26-000906
Subject	*URGENT 1 DAY* Event Brief + TPs CC EPP Clinic in Wyoming
Contact Officer	s22 [Redacted]
Clearance Officer	Jessica Pratt s22 [Redacted] s22 [Redacted]
Division/Branch	Primary Care Community and First Nations Chronic Conditions and Screening Division
Has Budget Branch been consulted if there are financial implications?	Not Applicable
Consultation	Hunter New England and Central Coast PHN

Adviser/DLO comments:	Returned to Dept for: REDRAFT <input type="checkbox"/> NFA <input type="checkbox"/>
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Assistant Minister White

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EPPCs Program Update

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Recent and upcoming engagements

	State	PHN	Clinic	Department update as at 14 April 2026
EPPC engagements	s22			
	NSW	Hunter New England and Central Coast	Central Coast Community Women’s Health Centre	13 April 2026 Assistant Minister McBride announced the launch of the Central Coast EPPC s22
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EPPC launch media

Seeking advice from the MO: Timing for the department to provide a draft media release to announce that all 11 additional EPPCs are operational , noting the last clinic is operational from 27 April.

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From: s22
To: [Endometriosis](#)
Cc: s22
Subject: Re: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Waitlists for EPPC appointments [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Friday, 17 April 2026 12:13:15 PM
s22

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Hi s22,

The Central Coast EPPC officially opened this week and there are currently no access issues, and no delays to enter the program.

Thanks

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From: Endometriosis

Sent: Friday, 17 April 2026 10:34 AM

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Subject: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Waitlists for EPPC appointments [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Importance: High

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Good morning,

I hope this email finds you well.

Our team have received a request from the Minister's office for information on average waitlist times for appointments at endometriosis and pelvic pain clinics (EPPC).

To assist with this request, we appreciate if you could respond to this email by **12:30pm today** with the average waitlist time for your EPPC.

Please reach out if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance on this.

Kind regards,

s22

Chronic Conditions Strategic Policy, Endometriosis

Chronic Conditions and Screening Division | Chronic Conditions and Hearing Branch
Primary and Community Care Group | Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

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ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR WOMEN

EMMA MCBRIDE MP
ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE
PREVENTION
ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR RURAL AND REGIONAL HEALTH
MEMBER FOR DOBELL

DRAFT MEDIA RELEASE

WYOMING WELCOMES NEW ENDOMETRIOSIS AND PELVIC PAIN CLINIC

Women and girls on the Central Coast will soon benefit from a new Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC) in Wyoming, funded by the Australian Government.

The clinic will be located within the Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre at Wyoming and is expected to be available by the end of the year.

It will provide expert, multidisciplinary services and care for endometriosis and pelvic pain, and support women living with symptoms of perimenopause and menopause.

Commissioned by Hunter New England and Central Coast Primary Health Network and operated by Hunter New England and Central Coast Limited, it is one of 11 additional EPPCs being delivered nationally by the Government.

In total, there will be 33 clinics across Australia, including 10 in New South Wales. There will be at least one clinic in each Primary Health Network and the centres will be located in a mix of regional and metropolitan locations.

Endometriosis affects at least 1 in 7 Australian women. It can have an extensive, devastating impact on the daily lives of sufferers, who face an average 7 years before diagnosis.

Pelvic pain can be similarly complex and debilitating, with the impact being felt beyond individuals. It is estimated to cost the Australian economy \$6 billion a year.

As well as directly helping patients, the clinic in Wyoming will raise awareness of endometriosis and pelvic pain, as well as perimenopause and menopause.

It will also build professional knowledge and skills in the area, while improving access to information and care pathways.

The clinics are part of the government's \$792.9 million investment in women's health as part of the 2025–26 Budget.

Quotes attributable to Minister Butler:

“For too long, women and girls living with pain have had to struggle in silence, but with these clinics we are giving them access to the expertise, care and support they need.

“They are just one of the ways we are delivering more choice, lower costs and better health care options for Australian women and girls.

“We are levelling the playing field for women and girls by ensuring a modern, stronger Medicare that meets the needs of women at every age and stage.”

Quotes attributable to Assistant Minister White:

“Too many women suffer for years with these often debilitating conditions. They deserve to have their concerns taken seriously with better access to specialised care no matter where they live.

“We want women to know that they are not alone with these health issues and expert help is available.

“The government is not slowing down on women's health. No matter what stage of life you're at, your health care is front and centre.”

Quotes attributable to Assistant Minister McBride:

“The Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic in Wyoming will gather much needed expertise under one roof, improve access to treatment, support and services as well as referral pathways.

“These are all crucial elements to providing the support women in my community have been asking for and we have delivered.

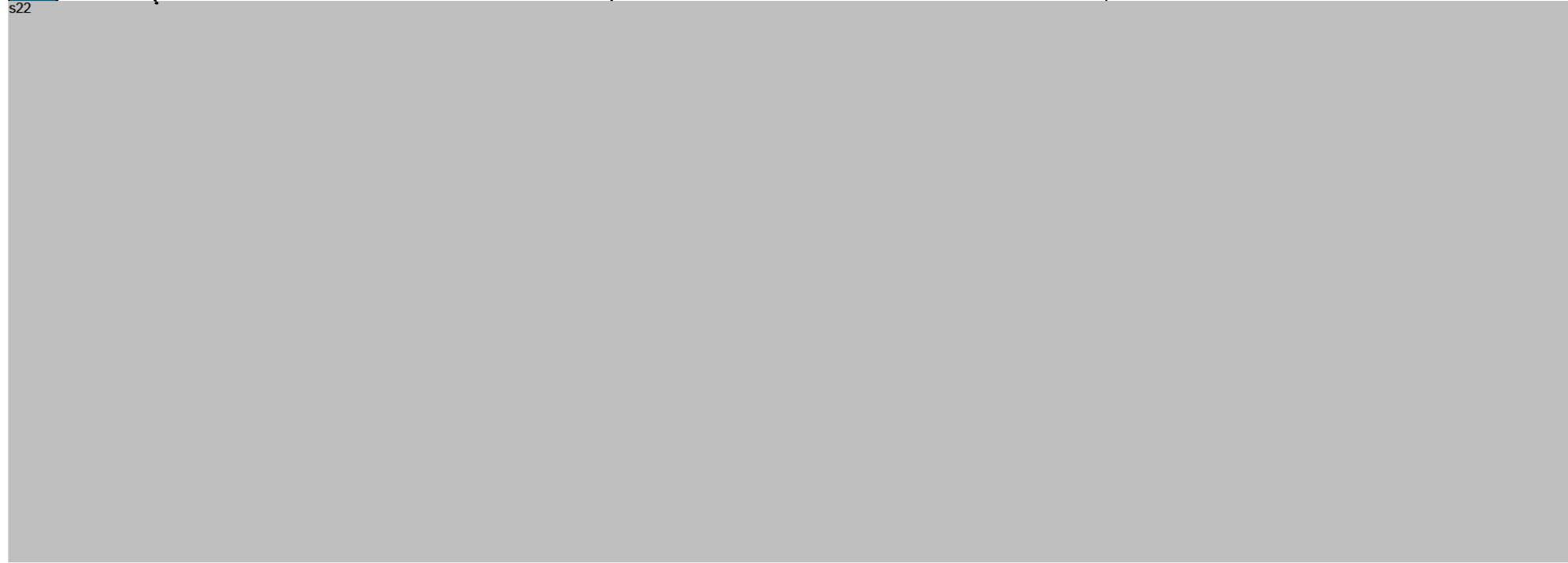
“I am proud to be part of a government which is committed to improving women's health and this clinic will be a great addition to specialised health care in our region.”

Tuesday, 09 June 2026

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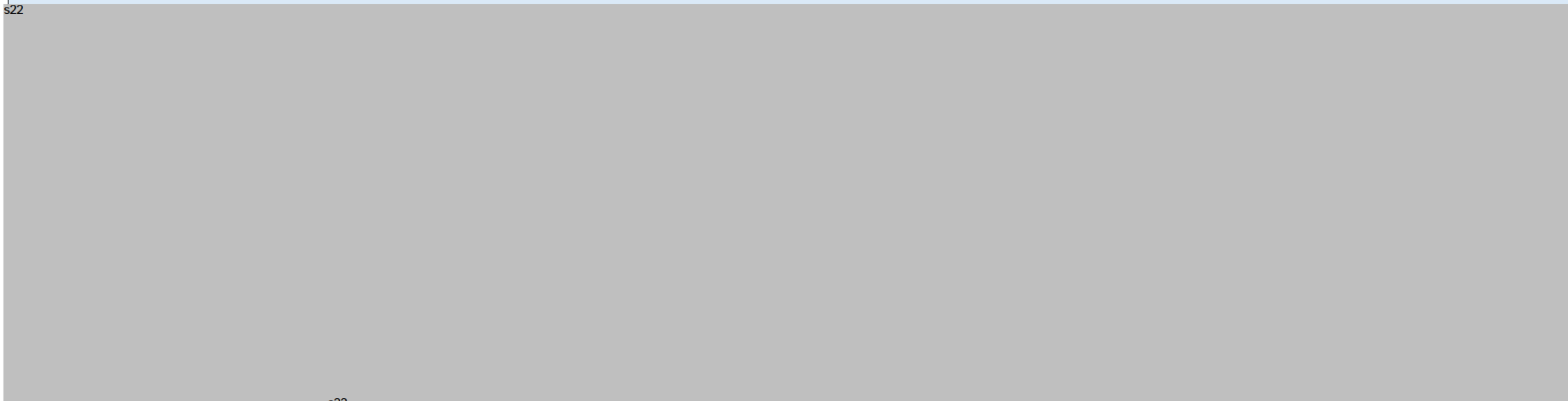
State/ Territory	PHN	EPPC	Opening date	
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2	NSW	Hunter New England and Central Coast	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	1 April 2026



No.	GP Clinic Name	PHN	Federal electorate	Confirmation email - E25-566617	Media Release Sent Out (Y/N & PDMS no.)	PHN contract executed	Response to clinic contracting email - E25-608967	Confirmed 1 January 2026 clinic operational date PH25/18519	TRIM record
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New South Wales

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2	<p>Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre</p> <p>37 Maidens Brush Road, Wyoming 2250</p> <p>Legal name: Hunter New England and Central Coast Limited</p>	<p>Hunter New England and Central Coast</p>						<p>Early to mid-Feb.</p> <p>Spoke to ^{s22}_{s47E} – Clinic will be open in January and taking bookings for services, however full scale rollout of the EPPC will not be available till early-mid February.</p> <p>3/12: Email confirmed clinic will be operational by 1 March 2026. They will be in contact with the PHN if they can open earlier.</p> <p>Update 6 January 2026: Timing is on the website will have further information and booking options at the end of February. There will be a criteria (a form to complete to be eligible).</p> <p>Update 19 January 2026: Clinic is on track for 1 March 2026 operational start date.</p>	<p>s22</p>
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NSW – Hunter New England and Central Coast PHN – Central Coast Community Women’s Health Centre

	Contact details	Opening date	RACGP accredited	Not for profit	Billing	Telehealth capability
PHN	s22	PHN advised department that the clinic would be operational by 1 March 2026.	Yes	Yes	Mixed billing	Yes – Phone
Clinic		Website will have further information and booking options at the end of February.				

Clinic details

Address	Website	Phone number	Open hours	Practice workforce	Services available
37 Maidens Brush Road, Wyoming 2250	www.ccwh.org.au	s22	Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPs (with advanced credentialling – Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care; MS2Step prescriber; Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Diploma; Implanon and Mirena accreditation) • Psychologist and onsite counselling team • Dietician • Nurse and nurse practitioner • Social worker • Sonographer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endometriosis diagnosis and management • Pelvic pain management • Perimenopause and menopause management • Contraceptive care and advice • LARC insertion and removal • Pelvic floor education and management • Trauma/violence support

Summary of EPPCs (PHN and GP details)

State	PHN	Legal name	GP Clinic Name	ABN	SA3 Name and code	Modified Monash Category	RACGP accredited	Not for profit	Fees
s22									
NSW	Hunter New England and Central Coast (HNECC) PHN *	HNECC Limited	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	82 001 330 472	Gosford 10201	MM1	Yes	Yes	Mixed billing practice
s22									

List of PHNs eligible to apply for a new Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics (11)

State	Proposed PHN	Eligible Funding
NSW	s22	
	Hunter New England and Central Coast	EPPC: \$770,000 PHN admin: \$79,646 Total: \$849,646

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Attachment A: EPPC Further Information

List of Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics ^{s22}

					^{s22} Funding Total	Expansion Contract Offered	Contract execution Clinic opening date	
[Redacted Content]								
	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	Hunter New England and Central Coast	Wyoming	-	EPPC: \$767,000 PHN: \$79,646 Total: \$846,646	\$846,646	Executed 31 October 2025	1 March 2026

List of Current Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinics ^{s22}

[Redacted]

State/ Territory	Clinic	PHN	Location	Original Funding	Expansion Funding	Combined Funding Total	Expansion Contract Offered	Contract execution Clinic opening date
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[Redacted Table Content]

	Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre	Hunter New England and Central Coast	Wyoming	-	EPPC: \$767,000 PHN: \$79,646 Total: \$846,646	\$846,646	Executed 31 October 2025	TBC
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From: s22
Sent: Monday, 24 November 2025 8:43 AM
To: Assistant Minister White DLO
Cc: PRATT, Jessica ; s22
Subject: Advice on Wyoming EPPC [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s22

Please see below AS cleared advice as requested.

PHN: Hunter New England and Central Coast

EPPC: Central Coast Community Women's Health Centre

Question	Response
What is the expected demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Modelling was not undertaken to determine locations of EPPCs, instead Government made a decision to have an EPPCs in every PHN. ● The PHN selected the clinic to be part of the EPPC Program based on their understanding of the region. ● However, with a PHN region population of 6,696,949 (50.57%) females, and 1 in 7 women being diagnosed with endometriosis, the department anticipate a high demand for these services, as there has been with all EPPCs. ● In addition, the department has received numerous requests, including a petition submission, to deliver an EPPC in this PHN region.
What model of care is being	

<p>set up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completely new • Into an existing model with expansion 	<p>The EPPC is being established inside an existing clinic, and is not a new GP practice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on CCCWHC submission as part of the grant opportunity, they noted they would use a multidisciplinary care team model that includes on-site counsellors, social workers and women’s health nurses, many of whom have experience supporting women with chronic pain, fertility concerns, and associated mental health impacts. Women also access health and wellbeing programs, which include pain management, nutrition, mindfulness, and body awareness groups. Where needed, they facilitate access to external allied health professionals such as physiotherapists with a special interest in pelvic health. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Further information on the EPPCs model will need to be finalised between CCCWHC and the PHN following sub-contract execution.
<p>Funding: Will the clinic have funding to engage with specialised clinicians already working in this space</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding may be used for a wide range of services, including but not limited to, advanced training qualifications, further study, additional practice staff (e.g. allied health, nurse navigators), enhanced referral pathways with local providers, equipment purchase, education resources and activities for patients, their families and carers. • PHNs will also work with the EPPCs to ensure funding is used in line with their grant opportunity guidelines. • The total funding for this EPPC is \$256k per year (in line with the other 11 new EPPCs)

Kind regards

s22

Executive Officer to ^{s22}, First Assistant Secretary

Chronic Conditions and Screening Division

Primary and Community Care Group

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From: Assistant Minister White DLO

<Assistant.Minister.White.DLO@health.gov.au>

Date: 18 November 2025 at 1:02:53 pm AEDT

Subject: FW: Advice on Wyoming EPPC [SEC=OFFICIAL]

To: s22
Cc: Assistant Minister White DLO
<Assistant.Minister.White.DLO@health.gov.au>

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Hi team

This looks like a pretty quick one so didn't think it needed a formal brief.

Could we please have some info back on this by the end of the week?

Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns

Many thanks

s22

Office of the Hon Rebecca White MP
Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care
Assistant Minister for Indigenous Health
Assistant Minister for Women

s22

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Subject: Advice on Wyoming EPPC

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Hello!

Can I get some advice on the following about the Wyoming EPPC

- What is the expected demand.
- What model of care is being set up –
 - Completely new
 - Into an existing model with expansion
 - Will the clinic have funding to engage with specialised clinicians already working in this space

Thanks,

s22

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