



District Nurses Section

NZNO

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Purpose of the District Nurses Section

- Represent the specialty of District Nursing
- Provide nursing leadership and strategic direction.
- Develop and maintain professional standards.
- Participate in and facilitate the direction of ongoing training and education.
- Provide a professional support network.
- Promote the value of District Nursing and of District Nurses.



Goal 1 - Leadership

- To be recognized as the representative group for District nurses nationally for issues relating to the delivery of nursing care and evolving service delivery models
- To continue to raise the profile of District Nursing Nationally



Background

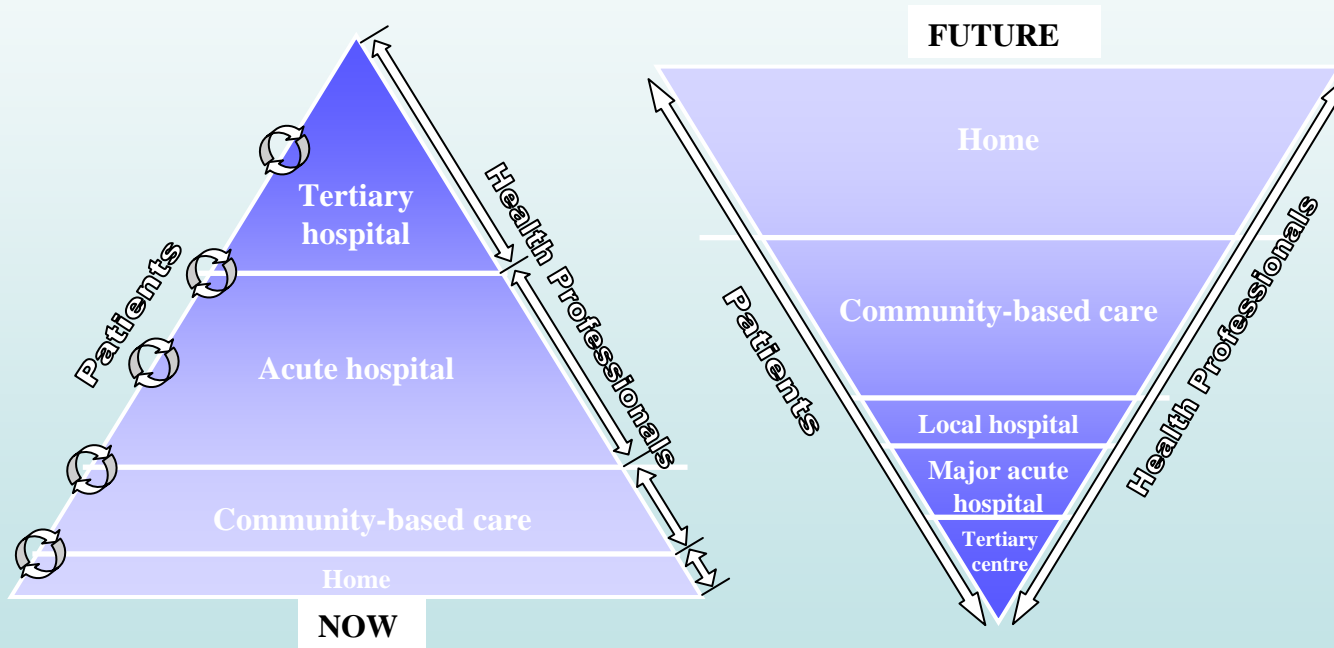
- Wide spread consultation with NZNO district nursing members nationally.
“Where do we fit in”
- Outcome Majority preferred “status quo”.
- Survey outcome sent to :
- Members of Parliament.
- Directors of nursing.
- DHB General Managers.

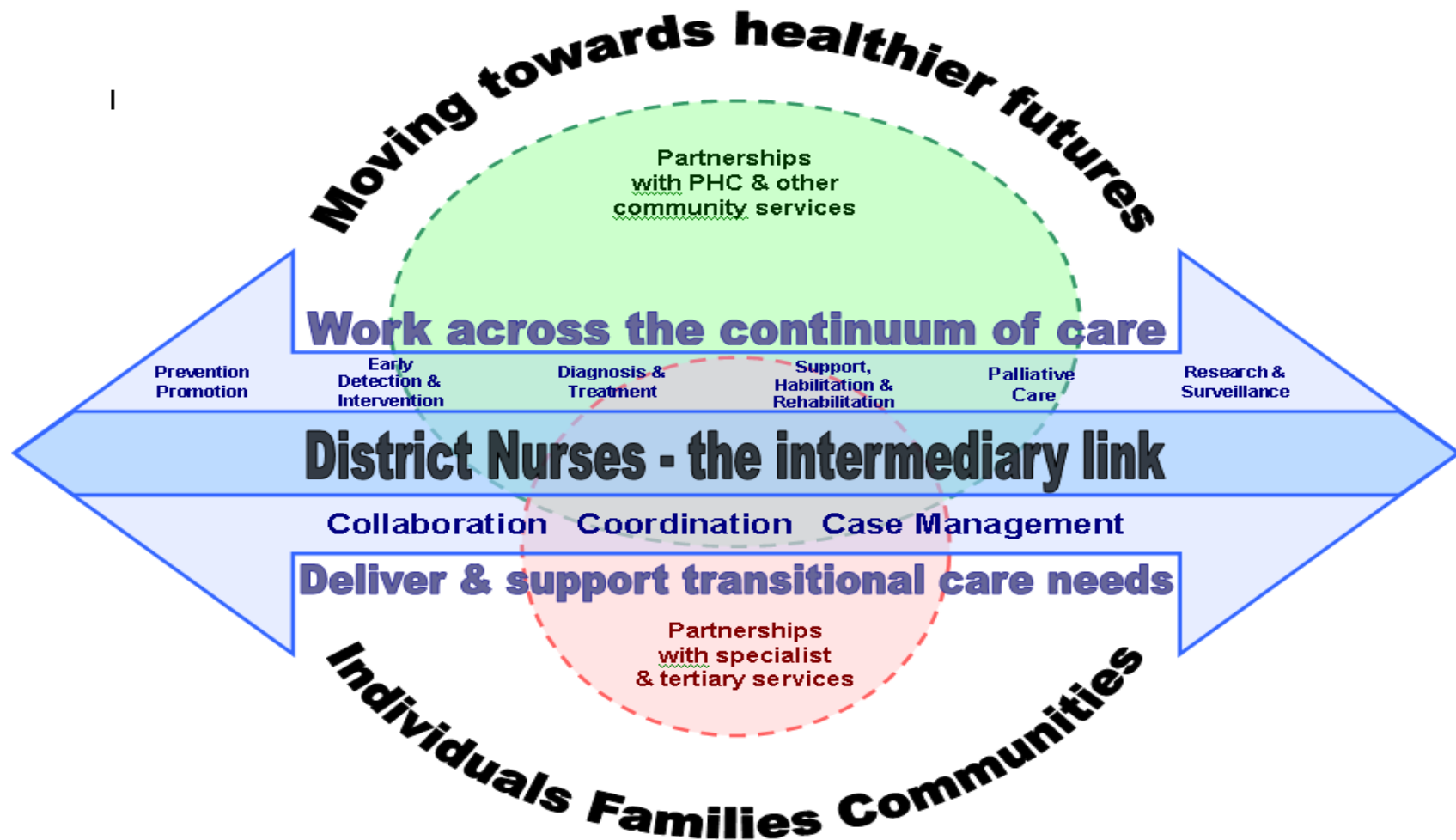


Drivers for the development of the Framework

- Being proactive in marketing our identity District Nursing.
- Possible Devolution of DN services
- Ensuring that Ministry had understanding of our service delivery model.
- Framework to base future service deliver models on.

Central Regional District Health Boards Regional Clinical Services Plan, 2008







District Nursing service

- Quality patient focused holistic care
- Primarily home based service
- Minimising impact of personal health problem : early discharge/ avoidable admission.
- Promoting self-care model and independence
- Supporting long term conditions
- Improving inequalities in health stats
- Provide palliative care services in the community



Essential elements ensures

- Consistent high quality care delivered
- Accessible
- Equitable
- Efficient
- Effective care
- Delivered in a variety of settings in NZ



Essential Elements

- Seamless transition across continuum of care
- Collaborative relationships
- Entry and exit to district nursing service
- Visibility and marketing of service
- Timely and equitable access to service
- Interdisciplinary approach
- Essential tools of work
- Products, supplies, equipment
- Workload measure
- Workforce development
- Professional support
- Clinical governance and nursing management
- Career pathway
- Employment
- Quality and risk management



Recommendations

- Future planning not to diminish DN role with in the continuum of care in Preventing avoidable admissions and facilitate timely discharges from Acute care setting.
- DN be involved in future planning of service configurations.
- Planning should allow for local solutions for local needs.