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# Geriatric Emergency Department Intervention (GEDI)

Initiative Type

Model of Care

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Sustained

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<https://clinicalexcellence.qld.gov.au/improvement-exchange/gedi>

## Summary

GEDI is provided by a nurse-led, physician championed team who provide frontload assessment, communication, care coordination and appropriate discharge planning. A GEDI team focus on all presentations from aged care facilities as well as older people from the community who are identified as frail via screening on presentation to the ED.

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## Key dates

Jun 2016

Jul 2017

## Implementation sites

Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service

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## Aim

GEDI is aimed at cost effectively maximising the quality of care for older people who present to the Emergency Department (ED).

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## Benefits

- specialist assessment by geriatric ED nurse
- reduced length of stay in ED for patients
- fast tracking of patients through ED
- improved ED discharge planning
- updates on the patient's condition and progress can be provided to you on request
- improved communication between ED and the GP

## Background

The project aims to strengthen the capacity of the aged care sector to deliver high quality aged care, to improve care for older adults in the Emergency Department (ED) and improve interaction between the Residential Aged Care Facility (RACF) and both primary and secondary healthcare sectors.

## Further Reading

[Patient](#) brochure [Health professional](#) brochure [Nurses](#) brochure [CEDRIC](#)

## Resources

[Geriatric Emergency Department Intervention \(GEDI\) Toolkit](#)

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