

AKC2026 Collaborative

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Background

In response to a statewide review of kidney care services, Queensland Health developed the Advancing Kidney Care 2026 (AKC2026) Plan (the Plan), released on 6 June 2019, which sets out the priority actions to improve kidney health and kidney health services in Queensland's public health system.

A copy of the Plan is available at <https://clinicalexcellence.qld.gov.au/priority-areas/service-improvement/advancing-kidney-care-2026/advancing-kidney-care-2026-plan>.

The AKC2026 Collaborative (the Collaborative) was established in September 2018 to drive improvements in kidney health and the provision of public sector kidney services in Queensland. Membership of the Collaborative comprises consumers, clinicians, executives of Hospital and Health Services (HHSs) and the Department of Health. The Plan and Collaborative form part of the Hon. Steven Miles', Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services, set of priorities to improve the outcomes and benefits delivered for all Queenslanders under Rapid Results Areas 2&3 (Delivering what matters).

AKC2026 Update

The extra-ordinary Collaborative meeting scheduled for Friday 8 November 2019, in which the details of the gap analysis were to be discussed, was cancelled with discussion held over to the 6 December 2019 meeting.

At the 6 December 2019 meeting the Collaborative:

- Requested the Project Delivery Team develop a matrix of the work being undertaken by stakeholders and other areas of Queensland Health, linking them to the priority actions in the AKC2026 Plan.
- Agreed in relation to the statewide gap analysis of current kidney service delivery against the care described in *The Queensland Health framework for delivering quality care to people with kidney disease* (The Framework):
 - This work is more meaningfully described as “baseline mapping” than a “gap analysis”.
 - The information to be collected will enable an informed and transparent way of comparing services across the state and making recommendations for service improvement.
 - The Mater public hospital South Brisbane, and North West and Sunshine Coast HHSs will be the pilot sites for the baseline mapping survey, to be undertaken between 12 December 2019 and 28 January 2020. It is planned that other HHSs and kidney services will be provided with the survey in early February 2020, with a request for completion by early March 2020.

- Noted an update on progress towards establishing a statewide digitally integrated kidney care data solution that is secure, standardised, and used for improvement. Set 1 data will be available in March 2020 as a proof of concept and will provide the first 25 data items. These data items will relate to acute kidney injury, haemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, kidney transplant and vascular access (haemodialysis) measures. The scope of set 1 was informed by:
 - 1) the priority assigned to the measure by the Clinical Stream in developing the Framework, and
 - 2) Information Stream Advisory Group (ISAG) feedback and Project Delivery Team research into the feasibility of being able to report the measures in a short timeframe to meet the March 2020 due date for set 1.
- Noted the first meeting of the Transplant Expansion Advisory Group has been postponed from November 2019 to February 2020.
- Noted throughout November 2019 Kesh Baboolal and the Project Delivery Team have visited kidney care services around Queensland. These visits provided HHS and kidney service staff with an update on the activities of AKC2026 to date and introducing the planned gap analysis/ baseline mapping. The visits also provided an opportunity for the Project Delivery Team to hear from kidney services about how they deliver care, their achievements and their challenges.
- Noted the Statewide Renal Clinical Network will hold a network forum in March 2020. One of the key themes for the event will be a focus on kidney care closer to home. Save the date – Friday 13 March 2020.
- Noted that Advancing Kidney Care 2026 has been selected as a finalist under the Delivering Healthcare category.

The next meeting of the Collaborative is on Friday 7 February 2020.

Further information on the Collaborative is available at: <https://clinicalexcellence.qld.gov.au/priority-areas/service-improvement/advancing-kidney-care-2026>.

Any queries about the Collaborative and its work priorities can be emailed to AKC2026Collaborative@health.qld.gov.au.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Christmas and New Year holiday break.