

Advanced Practice Summary Report

Project title	Extending the scope of practice of Dietitian's in the management of gastrostomy tubes.
Health service	Northern Health.
Project aim	Improving access to gastrostomy tubes management through extending the practice of Dietitian's.
Key outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided timely and safe gastrostomy management and replacement in the most appropriate setting. • Completion of training by two APP Gastrostomy Dietitians completed at Alfred Health and signed off as being competent in tube identification. • Dietitians have attended 10 PEG clinics for observation of credentialed Dietitians. • Conducted supervised PEG checks, removals and replacements. • Developed and implemented risk and troubleshooting log books which were reviewed as part of credentialing. • Developed escalation process for stoma care complications and issues. • Developed advanced scope of practice, and competency and credentialing framework in collaboration with other health services and ready to be reviewed by stakeholders. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The credentialing guideline includes: a competency tool, self-assessment confidence tool, red flag matrix, escalation pathways for PEG change issues and stoma care, and a pathway for requesting a PEG-O-Gram. •
Total investment	<p>Funding provided plus in-kind support: \$31,925</p> <p>Funding costs included: Staffing costs, operational costs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-kind support costs included: Clinical leader
Resources developed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Log books • Credentialing guidelines