

# Advanced Practice Summary Report

<b>Project title</b>	Infant Speech Pathology Feeding Service.
<b>Health service</b>	Northeast Health Wangaratta (NHW).
<b>Project aim</b>	Providing an integrated service through partnerships formed with other health organisations to provide an infant speech pathology feeding service.
<b>Key outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Established and implemented mentoring partnership during the project between Peninsula Health, Goulburn Valley (GV) Health and NHW where case studies are used as a framework.</li> <li>• Established paediatric feeding support group sessions during the project that were accessible from two sites (GV and NHW) via video conference for clinicians in the Hume region.</li> <li>• Developed model of Care, Scope of practice, capabilities &amp; competency requirements.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The competency package includes self-directed learnings/readings, supervisor demonstrations of skill sets and learning tasks for the trainee to demonstrate competency.</li> <li>• Bimonthly meetings of the NHW Allied Health CSOP committee established to: consult, provide advice and make recommendations regarding the Allied Health practices; provide strategic direction to the development and evaluation of the credentialing and scope of practice framework; risk management and quality frameworks.</li> <li>• Purchase of resources and equipment to support the implementation of the Infant Speech Pathology Lead Feeding Service.</li> <li>• Review of overall NHW speech pathology service completed with changes made to the service delivery model to allow for paediatric feeding referrals to be seen within its currently allocated clinical hours.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Reviewed position descriptions and identified key staff required for the service.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identified speech pathologists to complete competency package.</li> <li>• Identified dietitian and occupational therapist support for multidisciplinary approach to infant feeding</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Upskilling of clinicians in paediatric feeding commenced through attendance of speciality workshop for managing paediatric feeding difficulties and outpatient clinic sessions.</li> </ul>
<b>Total investment</b>	<p>Funding provided plus in-kind support: \$ 22,466</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding costs included: Staffing, equipment/capital costs, and training</li> <li>• In-kind support costs included: \$2000</li> </ul> <p>Total FTE to provide service:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As this project was provided as 'initial seed funding', ongoing EFT was not an outcome of this project.</li> </ul>
<b>Resources developed</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Credentialing and Scope of Practice Committee Guideline Procedure</li> <li>2. Credentialing and Scope of Practice Committee Terms of Reference</li> </ol>