

## Homeless Persons Program (HPP)

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### Program

<b>Program code</b>	Multiple individual programs within HPP service subtype.
<b>Definition</b>	<p>The RDNS Homeless Persons Program is a team of specialist community health nurses who work with and on behalf of marginalised/homeless people.</p> <p>The aim is to provide holistic health care to homeless people whilst facilitating access to mainstream services.</p>
<b>Responsibility</b>	RDNS Homeless Persons Program.
<b>Referrals</b>	<p><i>To</i> HPP</p> <p><i>From</i> Other service providers (health, welfare, etc). Clients/ community. Via assertive outreach.</p>
<b>Type of service</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact at agencies frequented by homeless people or via outreach to people in parks/streets/squats/rooming houses/low cost accommodation.</li> <li>Primary care including health assessment, clinical care, health education.</li> <li>Referral/liaison.</li> <li>Advocacy on behalf of homeless people individually and as a population group.</li> <li>Health promotion.</li> </ol>
<b>Eligibility/criteria for accepting referral</b>	People who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
<i>Overseas visitors</i>	Not applicable.
<b>Health insurance</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Fees</b>	Nil
<b>Liaison charge</b>	Nil
<b>Consumables</b>	Provided by HPP at no cost to client.
<b>Continuity of care/Core</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Access responsiveness</b>	No waiting list held.

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<b>RDNS policy reference</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Contract/agreement</b>	Some areas of HPP are funded/purchased via FFS agreements with other organisations.
<i>Contract responsibility</i>	CEO (refer to <i>Appendix 3 - Name of Incumbent</i> ).
<i>Contact responsibility</i>	HPP Manager. General Manager/Director of Nursing North and West Regions. (Refer to <i>Appendix 3 - Name of Incumbent</i> ).
<i>Expiry date</i>	As per individual agreement.
<b>Other programs permitted</b>	CACP HITH HOC Interim Care Linkages PAC Palliative Care Share Care or TICPC RITH Transitional Care <u>NB</u> : FFS fee schedules take priority.
<b>Comments</b>	HPP funding sources include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HACC</li> <li>• IHSY (Primary Care)</li> <li>• FFS (Salvation Army)</li> </ul>
<b>Reference/source of information</b>	HPP documentation.
<b>Current HACC subsidisation</b>	HACC funded program.

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