



Improving the Nation-wide outcomes for children and families supported by Paediatric Palliative Care: A National Quality of Care Collaborative



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AIMS

To promote high quality PC provided to children in close proximity to their home through education initiatives, evaluation and research.

Australia's geography and population distribution requires innovative methods of delivering paediatric palliative care. The Quality of Care Collaborative – Australia (QuoCCA) Delivering Paediatric Palliative Care (PPC) received funding in 2015

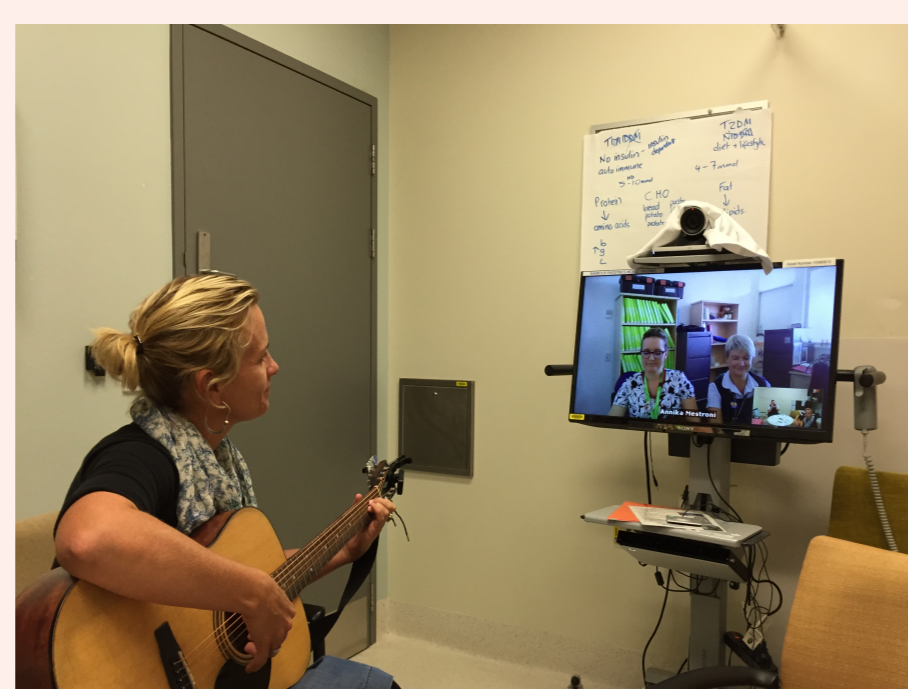
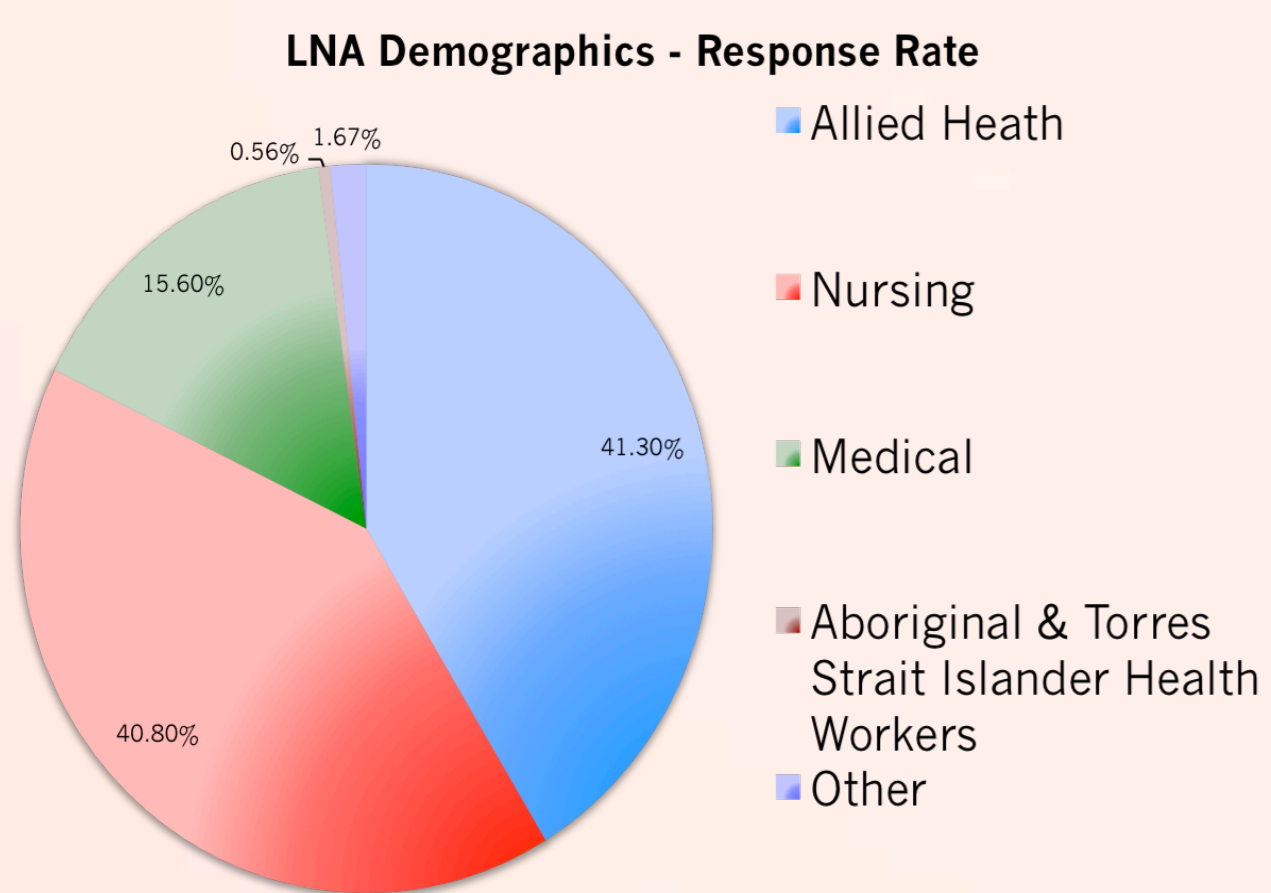
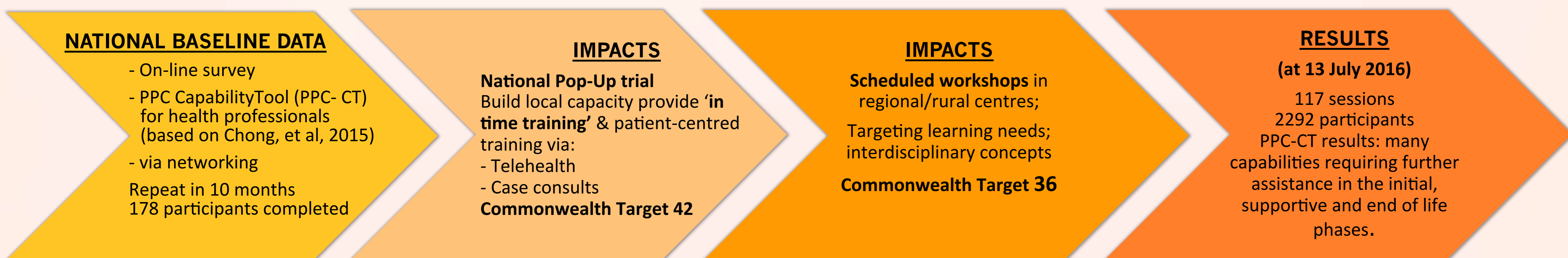
Methods

Mixed methodology study. Phases:

1. **Baseline** learning needs/capability
2. Educational initiatives and evaluations (**Impacts**)
3. Consumer & Health Clinician Engagement (**Perspectives**)

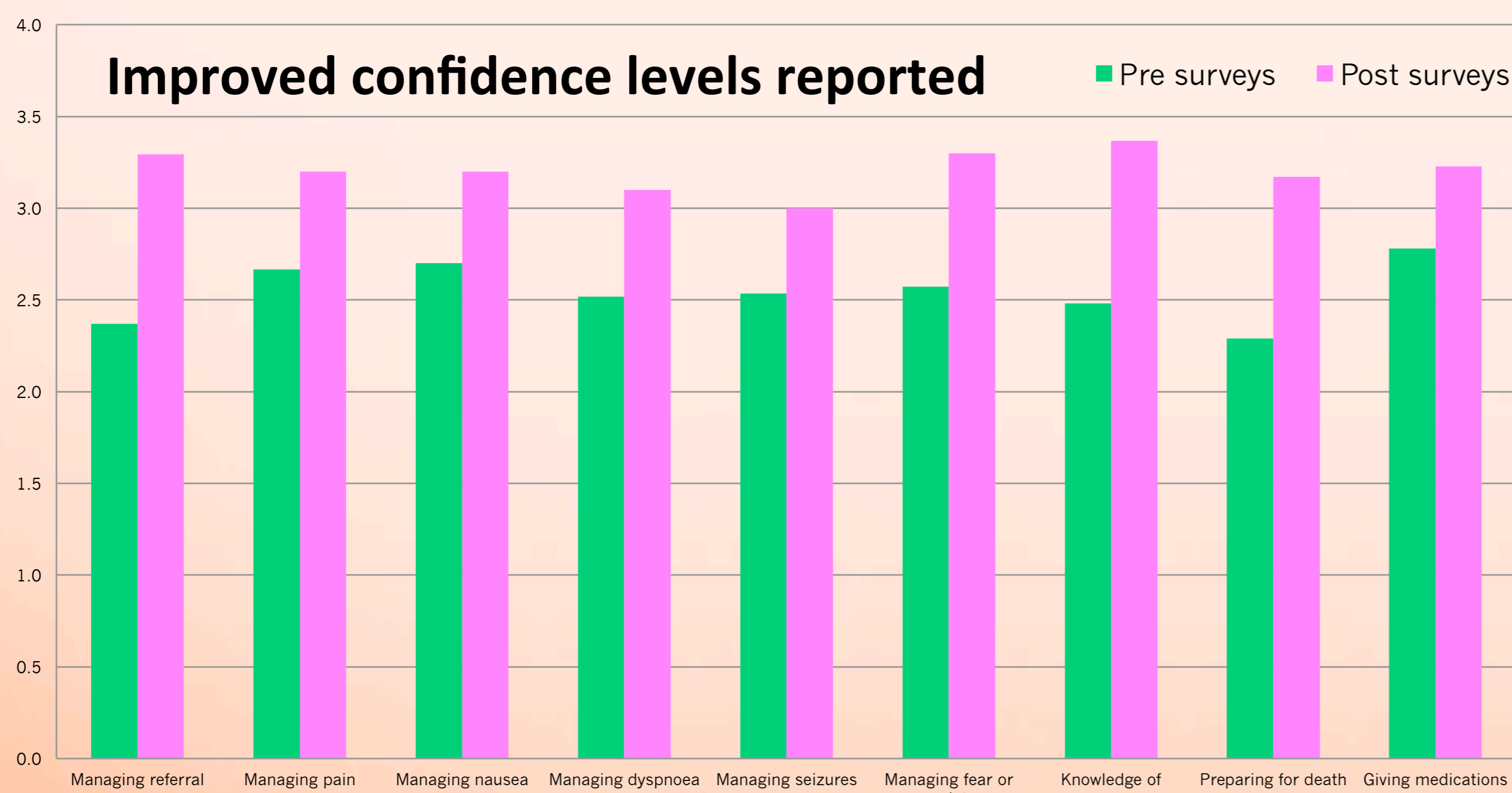
Participants

Health care professionals, (medical, nursing and allied health) and parents /carers who supported children requiring palliative care (from rural, regional and remote settings)



| QuoCCA LNA | Chong, Hamsah & Goh LNA (2015) |
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| Preparing families for the death of their child | Care of central lines |
| Management of the dying child | Bereavement care |
| PPC resources | Psychosocial support |
| Communication skills | Provision of CALD information |
| These findings are indicative of the larger and more diverse participant group. | |

Total average pre & post education responses (n=734)



Perspectives

- Discovery Interview methodology (Ethics Approval)
- Families, Health Professionals & Clinical Educators
- Trained interviewers
- HREC approval & a small number of interviews completed with Health Clinicians/Educators.



Conclusions or Future Outcomes

- LNA and PPC-CT results will influence areas for further development (education modules & supervisory supports).
- On-line surveys access from remote settings may be limited.
- Collaboration of PPC services providing education in a planned & coordinated way shows promise in increasing National capacity for PPC
- Consumer feedback will inform future education initiatives
- Thereby assisting to achieve the goals of the National Palliative Care Strategy 2010.
- LEGACY: Website / iPhone app / Education modules



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