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This report is issued by the Administrator of the National Health Funding Pool under section 240 of the *National Health Reform Act 2011*.

This report is prepared on a cash basis. It shows monthly and year-to-date (YTD) National Health Reform (NHR) funding and payments for Victoria for April 2015 as part of the *National Health Reform Agreement*.

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Local hospital networks and National Health Reform

A local hospital network (LHN) is an organisation that provides public hospital services in accordance with the Agreement. An LHN can contain one or more hospitals, and is usually defined as a business group, geographical area or community. Every Australian public hospital is part of an LHN.

Note: The term 'local hospital network' is a national term. Some states and territories use their own terminology to describe these networks, such as local health districts, health organisations, and hospital and health services.

Under the Agreement, LHNs receive funding for the following public hospital services:

- All admitted and non-admitted services
- All emergency department services provided by a recognised emergency department
- Other outpatient, mental health, sub-acute services and other services that could reasonably be considered a public hospital service.

Note: LHNs also receive funding from other sources, including the Commonwealth, states and territories, and third parties for the provision of other specific functions and services outside the scope of the Agreement, for example dental services, primary care, home and community care, residential aged care and pharmaceuticals. For further information on total funding to a particular LHN, contact the Victorian Department of Health to view the service agreement for that LHN.

Note: Amounts shown in the monthly reports do not include the New South Wales contributions to Victoria for Albury Wodonga Health.

Basis for National Health Reform payments – Victoria, April 2015

For the basis of the Commonwealth contribution to NHR funding, see [Basis of Commonwealth NHR funding, 2014-15](#).

The basis used to determine NHR payments to LHNs in Victoria for April 2015 was advised by the Victorian Department of Health to be as follows:

Payments in Victoria are based upon 'Statement of priorities' agreements between Victorian public health services (LHNs) and the Minister for Health (or Secretary). These annual agreements detail the service profile, strategic priorities and deliverables the local hospital network will achieve in the year ahead; list the key financial, access and service performance priorities and agreed targets; and list funding estimates and associated service activity. Once agreed, Statements of priorities are published at www.health.vic.gov.au/hospitals/sops.htm.

Funding details are aggregated into ABF funded services (including NWAU equivalent service volume), Block funded services and other funding for the purpose of determining payments to and from the state pool account and the state managed fund.

Victoria makes 13 payments per annum to funded agencies. Adjustments to the payments are made for cash flow needs and costs administered by the Victorian Department of Health on behalf of LHNs.

Victorian LHNs receive activity-based funding, block funding and other payments. Adjustments are made for cash flow needs and costs administered by the Victorian Department of Health on behalf of LHNs. Due to the timing and processing of these adjustments, The Royal Women's Hospital shows a negative amount for the block payment in July 2014.

Reference information

The financial information outlined in the following report is categorised as:

- *NHR funding* – when the Commonwealth or state or territory government pays NHR funding into a state pool account or state managed fund.
- *NHR payments* – when NHR funding that has been deposited into a state pool account or state managed fund is paid out of the state pool account by the Administrator, or is paid out of the state managed fund by the state or territory.

State pool account transactions

Table 1a – State pool account transactions – Victoria, April 2015

This table shows funding paid into the Victorian state pool account by the Commonwealth, Victoria or other states/territories, and payments out of the state pool account to LHNs, the state managed fund, the Victorian Department of Health or the state pool accounts of other states/territories for April 2015.

NHR funding by source	Paid into state pool account (\$)	Paid out of state pool account				Total paid out (\$)
		To Local hospital networks (\$)	To State Managed Fund (\$)	To state health department (\$)	To state pool (other State) (\$)	
Commonwealth ABF funding	284,368,688	284,368,688				284,368,688
Commonwealth Block funding	40,875,180		40,875,180			40,875,180
Commonwealth Other funding	7,032,165			7,032,165		7,032,165
Total C'wealth funding	332,276,032	284,368,688	40,875,180	7,032,165		332,276,032
VIC funding	278,126,905	268,398,471		9,728,434	0	278,126,905
Other state/territory funding	0		0	0		0
Total	610,402,937	552,767,159	40,875,180	16,760,598	0	610,402,937

See definitions and explanatory notes following table 1b.

Table 1b – State pool account transactions YTD – Victoria, April 2015

Following on from table 1a, this table shows year-to-date (YTD) funding paid into the Victorian state pool account by the Commonwealth, Victoria or other states/territories, and payments out of the state pool account to LHNs, the state managed fund, the Victorian Department of Health or the state pool accounts of other states/territories as at April 2015.

NHR funding by source	Paid into state pool account (\$)	Paid out of state pool account				Total paid out YTD (\$)
		To Local hospital networks YTD (\$)	To State Managed Fund YTD (\$)	To state health department YTD (\$)	To state pool (other State) YTD (\$)	
Commonwealth ABF funding	2,753,333,197	2,753,333,197				2,753,333,197
Commonwealth Block funding	376,427,852		376,427,852			376,427,852
Commonwealth Other funding	70,359,101			70,359,101		70,359,101
Total C'wealth funding	3,200,120,149	2,753,333,197	376,427,852	70,359,101		3,200,120,149
VIC funding	3,643,149,049	3,631,118,479		12,030,570	0	3,643,149,049
Other state/territory funding	0		0	0		0
Total	6,843,269,198	6,384,451,676	376,427,852	82,389,671	0	6,843,269,198

Commonwealth ABF funding represents Acute admitted, Non-admitted, Emergency department, Sub-acute, and Admitted mental health service categories, which are funded by the Commonwealth through the state pool account and subsequently paid to LHNs.

Commonwealth Block funding represents Non-admitted mental health, Small rural hospitals, Teaching, training & research, and Other non-admitted categories, which are funded by the Commonwealth and paid to the state managed fund.

Commonwealth Other funding represents other amounts funded by the Commonwealth, transacted through the state pool account and subsequently paid to state or territory health departments. This currently represents the Commonwealth contribution to public health.

VIC funding represents funding contributions paid by Victoria into its own state pool account, and subsequently paid to LHNs within the state, to the Victorian health department and/or to other state pool accounts.

Other state/territory funding represents contributions paid to Victoria by other states and territories for cross-border activity.

Note: The grey shaded areas in these tables reflect cells that are not applicable for a particular 'paid out' column. For example, Commonwealth block funding is only paid to state managed funds and not to local hospital networks or state health departments.

NHR funding and payments shown in these tables include GST where applicable.

For more information, see [National Health Reform funding and payments](#).

State managed fund transactions

Table 2a – State managed fund transactions – Victoria, April 2015

This table shows funding paid into the Victorian state managed fund by the Commonwealth and Victoria, and payments out of the state managed fund to LHNs and other provider organisations for April 2015.

NHR funding by source	Paid into state managed fund (\$)	Paid out of state managed fund		
		To local hospital networks (\$)	To Other (\$)	Total paid out (\$)
Commonwealth Block funding	40,875,180			40,875,180
State/territory Block funding	34,774,723			34,774,723
Total	75,649,903	74,620,325	1,029,578	75,649,903

See explanatory notes below table 2b.

Table 2b – State managed fund transactions YTD – Victoria, April 2015

Following on from table 2a, this table shows year-to-date (YTD) funding paid into the Victorian state managed fund by the Commonwealth and Victoria, and YTD payments out of the state managed fund to LHNs and other provider organisations as at April 2015.

NHR funding by source	Paid into state managed fund YTD (\$)	Paid out of state managed fund YTD		
		To local hospital networks YTD (\$)	To Other YTD (\$)	Total paid out YTD (\$)
Commonwealth Block funding	376,427,852			376,427,852
State/territory Block funding	522,265,796			522,265,797
Total	898,693,648	878,814,769	19,878,880	898,693,649

Block funding represents Non-admitted mental health, Small rural hospitals, Teaching, training & research, and Other non-admitted categories.

Commonwealth Block funding represents Commonwealth block funding contributions paid into the state managed fund from the state pool account, and block payments out of the state managed fund to LHNs and other provider organisations.

State/territory Block funding represents Victorian block funding contributions into the state managed fund, and block payments out of the state managed fund to LHNs and other provider organisations.

Note: The grey shaded areas in these tables reflect that these block payments cannot at this stage be identified by funding source (state, territory or Commonwealth contribution).

NHR funding and payments shown in these tables include GST where applicable.

For more information, see [National Health Reform funding and payments](#).

NHR funding and payments by service category

Table 3 – NHR funding and payments by service category – Victoria, April 2015

This table shows NHR funding and payments by service category on both a monthly and year-to-date (YTD) basis for Victoria for April 2015. NHR funding and payments are separated into the following service categories – activity-based funding (ABF), block funding, and other funding.

Service category	NHR funding (\$)	NHR payments (\$)	NHR funding YTD (\$)	NHR payments YTD (\$)
ABF				
Acute admitted	*	*	*	*
Admitted mental health	*	*	*	*
Sub-acute	*	*	*	*
Emergency department	*	*	*	*
Non-admitted	*	*	*	*
Total ABF (Pool)	562,495,577	552,767,159	6,395,586,167	6,384,451,676
Block				
Small rural hospitals	*	*	*	*
Teaching, training & research	*	*	*	*
Non-admitted mental health	*	*	*	*
Other non-admitted services	*	*	*	*
Total Block (SMF)	75,649,903	75,649,903	898,693,648	898,693,649
Other				
Public health funding	7,032,165	7,032,165	70,359,101	70,359,101
Overdeposit	0	9,728,418	15,070	11,149,561
Cross border	0	0	0	0
Interest	16	16	881,008	881,008
Total Other (Pool)	7,032,181	16,760,598	71,255,179	82,389,671
Grand Total	645,177,660	645,177,660	7,365,534,994	7,365,534,995

**Victoria has advised it is unable to provide payment information by service category as its 2014-15 service agreements with LHNs do not set separate budgets at that level.*

Total ABF (Pool) is an aggregate of both Commonwealth and state or territory NHR funding and payments for activity-based funding (ABF) which is transacted through the state pool account.

Total Block (SMF) is an aggregate of both Commonwealth and state or territory NHR funding and payments for block funding which is transacted through the state managed fund (SMF).

Total Other (Pool) represents other funding and payments transacted through the state pool account, including public health funding, overdeposits, cross-border funding and payments, and interest.

State and territory cross-border payments can either be:

- Paid to the relevant state or territory's LHNs – included within ABF and/or block payments in the above table, or

- Reimbursed to the relevant state or territory where the state or territory's LHNs are already being funded for the cost of treating cross-border patients – shown in the Cross-border row under Other in the above table.

NHR funding and payments shown in these tables include GST where applicable.

For more information, see [National Health Reform funding and payments](#).

NHR contributions by local hospital network

Table 4a – NHR contributions by local hospital network – Victoria, April 2015

This table shows NHR contributions (from state, territory and Commonwealth sources) made to each LHN in Victoria during April 2015.

NHR contributions to local hospital networks (LHNs) are separated into an activity-based funding (ABF) component and a block component.

Local hospital network	ABF component (ex GST)	Block component (ex GST)	Total NHR payments (ex GST)
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Albury Wodonga Health	5,701,000	1,380,000	7,081,000
Alexandra District Hospital	0	360,000	360,000
Alfred Health	57,010,000	3,618,361	60,628,361
Alpine Health	0	746,000	746,000
Austin Health	35,375,000	3,250,880	38,625,880
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service	3,227,000	96,000	3,323,000
Ballarat Health Services	13,358,000	1,988,876	15,346,876
Barwon Health	24,685,000	2,720,147	27,405,147
Bass Coast Regional Health	1,931,000	70,000	2,001,000
Beaufort & Skipton Health Service	0	291,000	291,000
Beechworth Health Service	0	263,000	263,000
Benalla Health	1,152,000	35,000	1,187,000
Bendigo Health Care Group	12,855,000	2,695,000	15,550,000
Boort District Health	0	158,000	158,000
Calvary Health Care Bethlehem	1,451,000	67,000	1,518,000
Casterton Memorial Hospital	0	247,000	247,000
Castlemaine Health	1,275,000	29,000	1,304,000
Central Gippsland Health Service	3,510,000	91,000	3,601,000
Cobram District Health	0	418,000	418,000
Cohuna District Hospital	0	330,000	330,000
Colac Area Health	1,475,000	34,000	1,509,000
Contracted Services LHN - Victoria	2,681,000	0	2,681,000
Dental Health Services Victoria	0	0	0
Djerriwarrh Health Services	2,576,000	73,822	2,649,822
Dunmunkle Health Services	0	85,000	85,000
East Grampians Health Service	1,048,000	37,000	1,085,000
East Wimmera Health Service	0	664,000	664,000
Eastern Health	48,199,000	5,658,857	53,857,857
Echuca Regional Health	2,376,000	77,000	2,453,000
Edenhope and District Memorial Hospital	0	230,000	230,000
Gippsland Southern Health Service	1,171,000	26,000	1,197,000
Goulburn Valley Health	8,605,000	1,428,306	10,033,306
Heathcote Health	0	155,000	155,000
Hepburn Health Service	0	551,000	551,000
Hesse Rural Health Service	0	138,000	138,000

Local hospital network	ABF component (ex GST)	Block component (ex GST)	Total NHR payments (ex GST)
Heywood Rural Health	0	155,000	155,000
Inglewood & Districts Health Service	0	133,000	133,000
Kerang District Health	0	407,000	407,000
Kilmore & District Hospital	0	701,000	701,000
Kooweerup Regional Health Services	0	339,000	339,000
Kyabram & District Health Services	814,000	31,000	845,000
Kyneton District Health Service	0	579,000	579,000
Latrobe Regional Hospital	9,417,000	2,204,000	11,621,000
Lorne Community Hospital	0	170,000	170,000
Maldon Hospital	0	71,000	71,000
Mallee Track Health and Community Service	0	270,000	270,000
Mansfield District Hospital	0	420,000	420,000
Maryborough District Health Service	1,048,000	29,000	1,077,000
Melbourne Health	32,383,000	7,626,716	40,009,716
Mercy Public Hospitals Inc.	16,316,000	1,824,087	18,140,087
Monash Health	71,403,078	7,275,830	78,678,908
Moyne Health Services	0	253,000	253,000
Nathalia District Hospital	0	137,000	137,000
Northeast Health Wangaratta	5,284,000	343,032	5,627,032
Northern Health	21,719,033	841,199	22,560,232
Numurkah District Health Service	0	455,000	455,000
Omeo District Health	0	128,000	128,000
Orbost Regional Health	0	395,000	395,000
Otway Health & Community Services	0	188,000	188,000
Peninsula Health	24,071,000	2,269,399	26,340,399
Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute	5,995,000	738,702	6,733,702
Portland District Health	1,469,000	30,000	1,499,000
Ramsay Health Care Limited (Mildura Base Hospital)	5,419,000	768,500	6,187,500
Robinvale District Health Services	0	373,000	373,000
Rochester & Elmore District Health Service	0	334,000	334,000
Rural Northwest Health	0	555,000	555,000
Seymour District Memorial Hospital	0	781,000	781,000
South Gippsland Hospital	0	358,000	358,000
South West Healthcare	6,407,000	1,000,000	7,407,000
St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)	24,489,000	3,631,503	28,120,503
Stawell Regional Health	874,000	40,000	914,000
Swan Hill District Health	2,037,000	53,000	2,090,000
Tallangatta Health Service	0	235,000	235,000
Terang & Mortlake Health Service	0	357,000	357,000
The Royal Children's Hospital	24,973,448	1,736,397	26,709,845
The Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital	5,057,000	120,000	5,177,000
The Royal Women's Hospital	13,804,000	-269,000	13,535,000
Timboon & District Healthcare Service	0	262,000	262,000
Upper Murray Health & Community Services	0	259,000	259,000
Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health	0	3,125,000	3,125,000
West Gippsland Healthcare Group	3,829,000	232,763	4,061,763

Local hospital network	ABF component (ex GST)	Block component (ex GST)	Total NHR payments (ex GST)
West Wimmera Health Service	0	824,000	824,000
Western District Health Service	2,315,000	277,000	2,592,000
Western Health	35,808,000	1,713,964	37,521,964
Wimmera Health Care Group	3,139,000	196,875	3,335,875
Yarram & District Health Service	0	334,000	334,000
Yarrawonga Health	0	517,000	517,000
Yea & District Memorial Hospital	0	150,000	150,000
Total	547,731,559	73,991,216	621,722,775

See explanatory notes below table 4b.

Table 4b – NHR contributions by local hospital network YTD – Victoria, April 2015

This table shows YTD NHR contributions (from state, territory and Commonwealth sources) made to each LHN in Victoria as at April 2015.

NHR contributions to LHNs are separated into an activity-based funding (ABF) component and a block component.

Local hospital network	ABF component YTD (ex GST) (\$)	Block component YTD (ex GST) (\$)	Total NHR payments YTD (ex GST) (\$)
Albury Wodonga Health	71,595,600	16,806,450	88,402,050
Alexandra District Hospital	0	4,345,141	4,345,141
Alfred Health	516,477,414	41,822,388	558,299,802
Alpine Health	0	8,800,524	8,800,524
Austin Health	420,306,776	37,005,702	457,312,478
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service	38,243,000	1,538,948	39,781,948
Ballarat Health Services	159,504,760	23,299,060	182,803,820
Barwon Health	295,751,544	32,793,608	328,545,152
Bass Coast Regional Health	22,909,000	1,008,751	23,917,751
Beaufort & Skipton Health Service	0	3,289,260	3,289,260
Beechworth Health Service	0	2,970,247	2,970,247
Benalla Health	13,660,000	268,500	13,928,500
Bendigo Health Care Group	152,863,224	32,200,313	185,063,537
Boort District Health	0	1,745,312	1,745,312
Calvary Health Care Bethlehem	19,042,387	668,900	19,711,287
Casterton Memorial Hospital	0	2,767,222	2,767,222
Castlemaine Health	15,113,000	235,440	15,348,440
Central Gippsland Health Service	41,656,807	1,294,250	42,951,057
Cobram District Health	0	4,875,983	4,875,983
Cohuna District Hospital	0	3,847,376	3,847,376
Colac Area Health	17,505,000	319,192	17,824,192
Contracted Services LHN - Victoria	32,816,824	0	32,816,824
Dental Health Services Victoria	0	0	0

Local hospital network	ABF component YTD (ex GST)	Block component YTD (ex GST)	Total NHR payments YTD (ex GST)
Djerriwarrh Health Services	30,685,744	605,529	31,291,273
Dunmunkle Health Services	0	852,110	852,110
East Grampians Health Service	12,449,000	587,450	13,036,450
East Wimmera Health Service	0	8,793,130	8,793,130
Eastern Health	494,556,164	65,217,424	559,773,588
Echuca Regional Health	29,948,483	1,410,688	31,359,171
Edenhope and District Memorial Hospital	0	2,722,654	2,722,654
Gippsland Southern Health Service	13,887,000	204,274	14,091,274
Goulburn Valley Health	102,381,619	17,388,706	119,770,325
Heathcote Health	0	1,670,935	1,670,935
Hepburn Health Service	0	6,427,114	6,427,114
Hesse Rural Health Service	0	1,480,362	1,480,362
Heywood Rural Health	0	1,853,306	1,853,306
Inglewood & Districts Health Service	0	1,425,794	1,425,794
Kerang District Health	0	4,809,160	4,809,160
Kilmore & District Hospital	0	9,015,250	9,015,250
Kooweerup Regional Health Services	0	4,027,562	4,027,562
Kyabram & District Health Services	10,051,596	194,000	10,245,596
Kyneton District Health Service	0	6,837,446	6,837,446
Latrobe Regional Hospital	112,175,457	27,361,487	139,536,944
Lorne Community Hospital	0	1,850,679	1,850,679
Maldon Hospital	0	843,807	843,807
Mallee Track Health and Community Service	0	3,053,718	3,053,718
Mansfield District Hospital	0	4,987,195	4,987,195
Maryborough District Health Service	12,424,000	366,525	12,790,525
Melbourne Health	444,422,356	99,781,152	544,203,508
Mercy Public Hospitals Inc.	193,753,828	19,716,287	213,470,115
Monash Health	838,974,446	86,871,988	925,846,434
Moyne Health Services	0	2,837,138	2,837,138
Nathalia District Hospital	0	1,472,092	1,472,092
Northeast Health Wangaratta	63,160,965	2,491,462	65,652,427
Northern Health	261,216,341	9,037,938	270,254,279
Numurkah District Health Service	0	6,503,564	6,503,564
Omeo District Health	0	1,349,387	1,349,387
Orbost Regional Health	0	4,688,224	4,688,224
Otway Health & Community Services	0	2,069,141	2,069,141
Peninsula Health	285,842,899	28,564,415	314,407,314
Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute	71,768,138	3,710,794	75,478,932
Portland District Health	17,413,000	284,134	17,697,134
Ramsay Health Care Limited (Mildura Base Hospital)	64,539,450	9,054,100	73,593,550
Robinvale District Health Services	0	4,301,111	4,301,111
Rochester & Elmore District Health Service	0	3,820,601	3,820,601
Rural Northwest Health	0	6,490,922	6,490,922
Seymour District Memorial Hospital	0	9,387,222	9,387,222

Local hospital network	ABF component YTD (ex GST)	Block component YTD (ex GST)	Total NHR payments YTD (ex GST)
South Gippsland Hospital	0	4,244,060	4,244,060
South West Healthcare	79,057,995	12,917,860	91,975,855
St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)	290,840,657	41,286,700	332,127,357
Stawell Regional Health	10,361,000	361,470	10,722,470
Swan Hill District Health	24,165,000	697,485	24,862,485
Tallangatta Health Service	0	2,622,251	2,622,251
Terang & Mortlake Health Service	0	4,174,903	4,174,903
The Royal Children's Hospital	296,197,024	20,485,797	316,682,821
The Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital	60,155,009	1,467,500	61,622,509
The Royal Women's Hospital	151,298,195	-2,034,600	149,263,595
Timboon & District Healthcare Service	0	2,996,016	2,996,016
Upper Murray Health & Community Services	0	2,926,668	2,926,668
Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health	0	37,149,000	37,149,000
West Gippsland Healthcare Group	45,450,105	1,919,663	47,369,768
West Wimmera Health Service	0	9,878,903	9,878,903
Western District Health Service	27,505,000	3,491,270	30,996,270
Western Health	424,979,927	15,439,550	440,419,477
Wimmera Health Care Group	37,246,627	1,430,955	38,677,582
Yarram & District Health Service	0	3,994,049	3,994,049
Yarrawonga Health	0	6,183,786	6,183,786
Yea & District Memorial Hospital	0	1,788,340	1,788,340
Total	6,324,352,361	871,742,170	7,196,094,531

NHR payments in this table are GST exclusive to enable comparability of NHR payments in each LHN report.

Note: This table excludes GST. The majority of government funding to LHNs is not subject to GST. However in some cases hospital funding to non-government entities does attract GST, for example, denominational hospitals, privately and commercially owned health facilities, or any other non-government third party provider of health services or related supplies.

For more information, see [National Health Reform funding and payments](#).

Estimated monthly, YTD and annual activity

States and territories provide service volume *estimates* at the start of each financial year, and if required, can continue to refine these estimates during the course of the year. These *estimates* form the basis of monthly reporting of service volumes until *actual* service numbers become available. These estimates are expressed as National Weighted Activity Units (NWAU).

States and territories provide estimated annual NWAU to the Administrator as a basis for determining the Commonwealth activity-based funding. Current month NWAU estimates accumulate through the year-to-date (YTD) NWAU, to be equal to the annual NWAU at the end of the financial year.

States and territories may also provide activity information relating to the delivery of other public hospital functions funded.

Table 5 – Estimated monthly, YTD and annual NWAU by local hospital network – Victoria, April 2015

This table shows estimated state or territory hospital activity for activity-based funding services expressed as NWAU for April 2015, the associated cumulative year-to-date (YTD), and total estimated annual NWAU for each LHN in Victoria.

Local hospital network	Estimated NWAU funded in current month	Estimated NWAU funded YTD	Estimated annual NWAU 2014-15
Albury Wodonga Health	1,561	15,612	17,342
Alfred Health	11,041	110,405	133,100
Austin Health	9,519	95,190	116,448
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service	1,000	9,997	11,812
Ballarat Health Services	3,822	38,221	48,984
Barwon Health	7,322	73,218	92,685
Bass Coast Regional Health	555	5,553	6,705
Benalla Health	265	2,652	3,404
Bendigo Health Care Group	3,956	39,562	50,465
Calvary Health Care Bethlehem	448	4,484	4,454
Castlemaine Health	317	3,169	4,082
Central Gippsland Health Service	972	9,719	11,177
Colac Area Health	344	3,436	4,404
Contracted Services LHN - Victoria	309	3,094	16,428
Djerriwarrh Health Services	597	5,966	7,441
East Grampians Health Service	270	2,701	3,316
Eastern Health	11,945	119,451	147,016
Echuca Regional Health	583	5,825	7,292
Gippsland Southern Health Service	284	2,838	3,053
Goulburn Valley Health	2,459	24,594	29,993
Kyabram & District Health Services	226	2,257	2,509
Latrobe Regional Hospital	2,800	28,002	32,568
Maryborough District Health Service	259	2,590	3,023
Melbourne Health	9,809	98,094	117,158
Mercy Public Hospitals Inc.	4,645	46,454	57,268
Monash Health	20,127	201,270	251,237
Northeast Health Wangaratta	1,557	15,575	18,845
Northern Health	6,943	69,430	86,898

Local hospital network	Estimated NWAU funded in current month	Estimated NWAU funded YTD	Estimated annual NWAU 2014-15
Peninsula Health	7,145	71,451	85,388
Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute	1,721	17,207	20,002
Portland District Health	355	3,546	4,133
Ramsay Health Care Limited (Mildura Base Hospital)	1,630	16,303	19,526
South West Healthcare	1,779	17,787	22,072
St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)	6,822	68,221	84,489
Stawell Regional Health	225	2,246	2,769
Swan Hill District Health	574	5,743	6,818
The Royal Children's Hospital	5,631	56,313	77,991
The Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital	1,571	15,714	19,500
The Royal Women's Hospital	3,638	36,377	43,421
West Gippsland Healthcare Group	1,106	11,061	14,214
Western District Health Service	630	6,297	6,255
Western Health	10,668	106,683	133,374
Wimmera Health Care Group	836	8,361	10,022
Total	148,267	1,482,667	1,839,081

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Monthly NHR payments relate to the cash needs of public hospitals and do not necessarily reflect the volume of services to be delivered in the month.

For more information on the NWAU calculation, see [Calculation of NWAU](#).