

# Bendigo Loddon Primary Care Partnership

## STRATEGIC PLAN

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# Our Partners

## Level 1 Board Partners



## Level 2 Partners



## Associates



# Our Partnership

Our Partnership is formed by cross sector partners of health and community services and local government supporting communities in the City of Greater Bendigo and Loddon Shire.

## Vision

We will create a seamless health and community services system within the context of broader health and wellbeing to achieve an empowered, engaged and resilient community.

## Purpose

To plan and partner together to close gaps in service access, share our talents and resources, and create opportunities to better the health and wellbeing of our communities.

## Goal

Through alignment of planning and partnership activity, strengthened collaboration, and service integration across sectors work to improve the health and wellbeing of the City of Greater Bendigo and Loddon Shire communities through a focus on Improved Access, Health Equity and Prevention initiatives

## Commitments

Our Partnership has five commitments:

Community Outcome Focus

Enabling Equity

Impartiality

Stewardship & Leadership

Accountability

## Values

These values help build our common culture and guide us in all our decisions. Established forms of cooperation between partners, agencies and our communities will reflect our basic values.

Courage

Openness

Cooperation

Integrity

Equity & Respect

# Our Strategic Goals

Through the strength of the partnership collaboration we advocate for and work to support primary prevention initiatives, access to services, health equity, organisations and community capacity.

## Partnership Building

- Advocacy for the high levels functions of the PCP platform and the importance of place-based decision making and response.
- Strengthening collaboration and integration across sectors to maximise health and wellbeing outcomes within the communities of Greater Bendigo and Loddon Shire.
- Facilitating participation and communication at Regional and State-wide levels.
- Harnessing the collaborative effort in primary prevention, increasing access, and health equity
- Building the capacity of the partner organisations to support consumer participation in health, health literacy, and cultural safety.
- Building leadership and governance skills

## Prevention

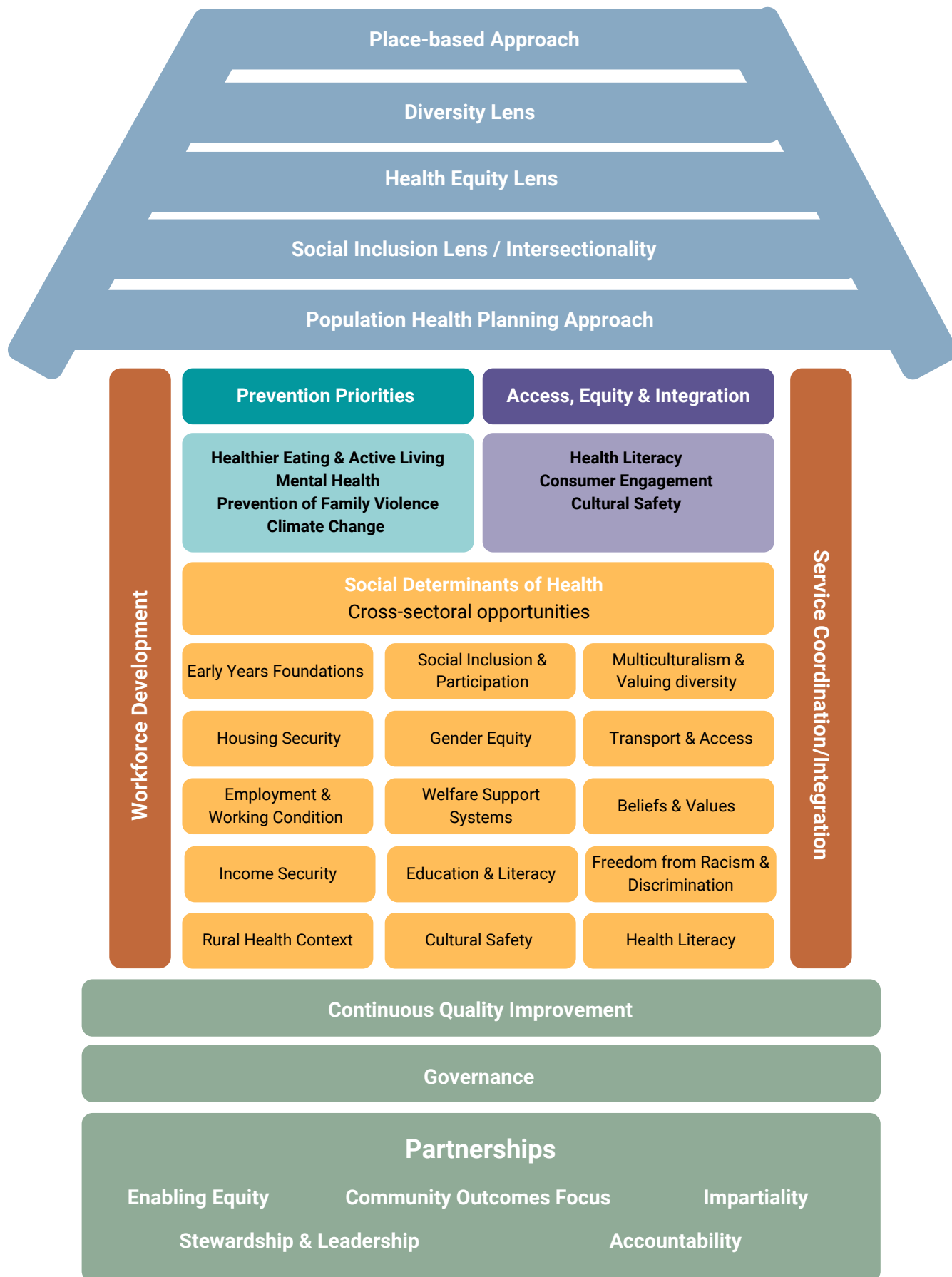
- Support primary prevention work with a focus on identified health priorities - mental health, family violence, healthy eating and active living, climate Change and health impacts.
- Enable the prevention priorities partnership work with a focus of the identified priority populations of rural communities, vulnerable children and families, and aboriginal people.
- Support the development of Integrated Health Promotion Plans in health priority areas with alignment across sectors to Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plans, and with reference to the Public Health and Wellbeing Framework.
- Support continuous quality improvement, monitoring and evaluations, and workforce development in primary Prevention and the prevention priorities.

## Access, Equity and Service Integration

- Strengthen understanding of health outcomes and health impact of inequality and inequity
- Develop opportunities to strengthen understanding of the positive health and wellbeing outcomes for communities created by cross-sectoral relationship and collaborate action.
- Enhance cross-sector service coordination and integration opportunities between partner organisations.
- Take up opportunities to enhance service systems and health outcomes through evidence-based service systems planning and design.
- Build organisational and community capacity
  - Health Literacy and consumer engagement
  - Enhancement of consumer access to services and information
  - Cultural Safety

# Our House - Strategic Model

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# Approaches and Lenses

## Gender Lens

Understanding the unique challenges women and girls face pursuing equality and the ways in which systems, institutions and policies must change to advance women's equality.

## Social Inclusion Lens

Ensuring legislation, policies, programs, and practices are analysed to determine the social and economic inclusion of individuals, families and communities in guiding uptake and promotion.

## Health Equity Lens

Understanding inequities in health arise because of the circumstances in which people are born, grow, live, work, and age, and their access to the systems put in place to deal with these circumstances. The conditions in which people live are shaped by political, social, and economic forces.

## Diversity Lens

Understanding that each individual is unique, and recognising their differences. This includes the dimensions of race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio economic status, age, physical abilities, religious beliefs, political beliefs or other ideologies and intersectionality of all.

## Population Health Planning Approach

A population health approach to planning assesses needs at the population rather than the individual level. The capacity of the service system and gaps in services to meet population priority health issues and demand are then evident. These needs can then be prioritised for funding and action. Planning that takes a population health approach requires information gathering and sharing including:

- population health data to enable planning to meet population needs for varying levels of care.
- information that reveals a local area's need for services.
- information available to consumers, families and carers, and service providers regarding the range and type of services that are currently available to a local community.

## Place based Approach

Place-based approaches aim to address complex problems by focusing on the social and physical environment of a community and on better integrated and more accessible service systems, rather than focusing principally on the problems faced by individuals.

A place-based approach aims to address issues that exist at the community level, such as poor housing, social isolation, poor or fragmented service provision that leads to gaps or duplication of effort, and limited economic opportunities.

Solutions to complex problems may be developed reflecting the local context and strengths of community, as well as addressing gaps. A place-based approach engages community and seeks to make families and communities more connected and resilient. This may be achieved through interventions that support client and community empowerment.