Budget 2017-18 - Overview

- $10 billion investment in the Long Term National Health Plan which seeks to deliver the world’s best health system
- Supports our four pillars for the health system
  - Guaranteeing Medicare and the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
  - Supporting hospitals
  - Prioritising mental and preventive health
  - Investing in medical research
- Assists in ensuring the long term sustainability of the health system and improve patient care
- Ensuring we deliver affordable and accessible care and medicines for Australians
Budget 2017-18 - Overview

- Supported by 5 compacts with:
  - Australian Medical Association
  - Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
  - Pharmacy Guild
  - Medicines Australia
  - Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association

- Agreement through COAG on opt out for My Health Record
- Agreement with the Tasmanian Government for the transfer of the Mersey Hospital
Budget 2017-18 – Guaranteeing Medicare

- Rock solid commitment to Medicare
- Supported by compacts with the AMA and RACGP
- $2.4 billion increase in Medicare over the next four years
  - Includes $1 billion to restore indexation of Medicare over the next three years
    - 1 July 2017 – bulk billing incentive for GP’s
    - 1 July 2018 – standard GP consultations and specialist consultations
    - 1 July 2019 – specialist procedures and allied health services
    - 1 July 2020 – diagnostic imaging services for mammography, computed tomography, fluoroscopy and interventional radiology
- Maintain bulk billing incentive for pathology and diagnostic imaging at a cost of $936.7 million
- Maintain current Medicare Safety Net at a cost of $318.6 million
- Medicare Guarantee Fund from 1 July 2017
- $145m for After Hours PHN funding
Budget 2017-18 – Guaranteeing Medicare

- Partnerships with the doctors and specialists to support long term reform through the MBS Review
  - $44.2 million to continue the MBS Review with improvements re-invested into the MBS
  - $44.5 million for the Medical Services Advisory Committee
- Support for working together on Health Care Homes
  - 200 practices announced today
  - Phased start from October
  - Working with GP’s and AMA to get the system right
- Support for My Health Record following COAG Health Ministers agreement to opt-out model
  - Investing $374.2 million over two years for the national expansion
Budget 2017-18 – Access to Medicines

- Compacts with the Pharmacy Guild, Medicines Australia, GBMA
  - $1.8 billion five year compact with Medicines Australia to lower the cost of medicines
  - Support the uptake of generic and bio-similar medicines
  - Doctors to retain complete control of prescribing
  - Reinvestment in the PBS
- More than $510 million for Sacubitril with Valsartan (Entresto)
  - Will benefit 60,000 patients with chronic heart failure
- Build on $310 million of new drugs listed on PBS last week
- Under the Coalition, more than 1,400 new and amended drugs have been listed on the PBS
Budget 2017-18 – Access to Medicines

- Compact with the Pharmacy Guild
  - $825 for community pharmacies
    - $600 million for improved services for consumers, such as supporting Health Care Homes with medicine management
    - $210 million over three years as a result of prescription volumes being lower than expected under the Sixth Community Pharmacy Agreement
    - $15 million for wholesalers in recognition of impact of the Medicines Agreement
  - Remove the sunset clause in the Act relating to pharmacy location rules
  - Maintain the current Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme co-payment and safety net thresholds at a cost of $955 million
Budget 2017-18 – Supporting Hospitals

• Delivering an additional $2.8 billion in Commonwealth funding to hospitals
• Since the signing of the agreement with the states in 2016, funding has increased $7.7 billion
• In addition, $730.4 million upfront transfer of ownership of the Mersey Hospital to the Tasmanian Government
  • Provides certainty for the community with funding for 10 years
# Budget 2017-18 – Mental and Preventive Health

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Budget 2017-18 – Mental Health

- $173 million for mental health
  - $80 million for community psychosocial services for people who do not qualify for the National Disability Insurance Scheme. Contingent on matched commitments from the states and territories
  - $58.6 million via Department of Veterans Affairs for expansion of services for current and former members of the Australian Defence Force, suicide prevention pilots, family counselling
  - $9.1 million tele-health for psychologists to support people in rural communities with access to mental health services
  - $11.1 million to help with prevention at suicide hotspots
  - $15 million mental health research
    - $5 million for Orygen in Melbourne
    - $5 million for Black Dog Institute with the Hunter Institute
    - $5 million for Sunshine Coast Mind and Neuroscience – Thompson Institute
Budget 2017-18 – $130 m for Community Health

- Healthy Heart Initiative
  - $10 million Prime Minister’s Walk for Life supported by the Heart Foundation
    - Support 300,000 people to become regular walkers
  - $5 million for the RACGP to encourage patients to adopt healthy active lifestyles
- $10 million in Preventive Health research under the Medical Research Future Fund
- $4 million over four years for the extension of the Living Organ Donors program
- $54 million Continuous Glucose Monitoring for childhood diabetes
- $20 million Immunisation
  - $14.1 million catch up immunisation
  - $5.5 million immunisation awareness campaign in areas where vaccination rates are low
- $19 million Rheumatic Fever prevention and management
- $8 million boost for Home Based Palliative Care
Budget 2017-18 – $50 m for Sport

- In the lead up to the Commonwealth Games, $15.5 million in sporting grants and services for more than 2,000 aspiring and high performing athletes
- $34.2 million for a range of operational and security activities for the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games
- Development of a National Sports Plan, including consideration of a national lottery
Budget 2017-18 – Fighting Cancer $231.4 million

- Cancer Screening
  - $152.6 million investment in cancer screening
    - $64.3 million extension of BreastScreen Australia mammogram program for women aged 70-74, which expands the scheme already available for women aged 50-69
    - $5.9 million to double the Prostrate Cancer Nurse program
    - $41.6 million extend Victorian Cytology Service for cervical cancer
    - $40.8 million for continued programs until transition to the National Cancer Screening Register

- Cancer Research
  - $78.8 million cancer research
Budget 2017-18 – Fighting Cancer $231.4 million

- Cancer Research: $78.8 million investment in cancer research
  - $68 million to purchase accelerator equipment and treatment rooms for Australia’s first Proton Beam Therapy Facility for treatment and research at the South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute in Adelaide
    - Benefits patients suffering from tumours close to vital organs and in particular children with brain cancer
    - Patients otherwise have to travel overseas
  - $10.8 million to fight childhood cancer
    - $4.4 million for Cancer Australia to support research
    - $1.4 million paediatric brain cancer trials
    - $5 million CanTeen from the Medical Research Future Fund
      - Builds on $20 million in election commitment for Zero Childhood Cancer project
Budget 2017-18 – Investing in Medical Research

- $5 billion for medical research to 2020-21
  - On track to double medical research funding via the $20 billion Medical Research Future Fund
    - $642.9 million to be allocated in 2020-21
    - $1.4 billion in disbursements in the five years from 2016-17
      - $20 million preventive health and research translation projects
      - $33 million clinical trials
      - $12.9 million breakthrough research investments
  - $3.6 billion National Health and Medical Research Council funding over the next four years
Budget 2017-18 – Aged Care

- Aged Care investment over the next five years will be $99.3 billion
- $5.5 billion to extend funding arrangements for the Commonwealth Home Support program
  - Meals on Wheels
  - Respite care
  - Domestic assistance
  - Five major compacts
- $3.1 million to improve the My Aged Care ICT platform
Budget 2017-18 – First Wave of Reform

- Five major compacts
- Guaranteeing Medicare
  - Investing in our health professionals through Medicare and the re-indexation
  - Lowering the cost of medicines and reinvesting in new medicines
- Agreement by COAG on opt-out model for My Health Record
- Agreement with the Tasmanian Government on the transfer of the Mersey Hospital
- Mental Health psychosocial support
Budget 2017-18 – Second Wave of Reform

- Ensuring the sustainability and affordability of private health insurance
- Strengthening mental health – particularly in rural areas
- Workforce Strategy
- Aged Care reform
- National Sports Plan
Budget 2017-18 – Third Wave of Reform

- Reform of public hospitals and post 2020 agreement with the states
- Strengthening Primary Care
- Strengthening Preventive Care
  - Indigenous health