

Territory Kidney Care (TKC)

The development of functionality within TKC has continued while we are implementing across services. In 2020, largely due to the impact of Covid19, the project has faced barriers to implementation and facilitators to development. Both the project team and the clinical teams of nephrologists and CKD nurses have not been able to travel to communities. While this has hindered the implementation, it has resulted in a far greater reliance on telehealth clinics for the clinicians. It has increased usage of the system and assisted in identifying shortcomings and/or functionalities that are useful for the GPs, Nephrologists and patients.

The implementation of Phase four commenced in March 2020, the TKC Project team acknowledges that the development and implementation of TKC has taken longer than initially anticipated. TKC will not be fully absorbed until the completion of the Department of Health’s clinical information replacement program (Acacia). Although the time frames have extended, we have excellent engagement with health services across the NT and we remain on track to deliver.

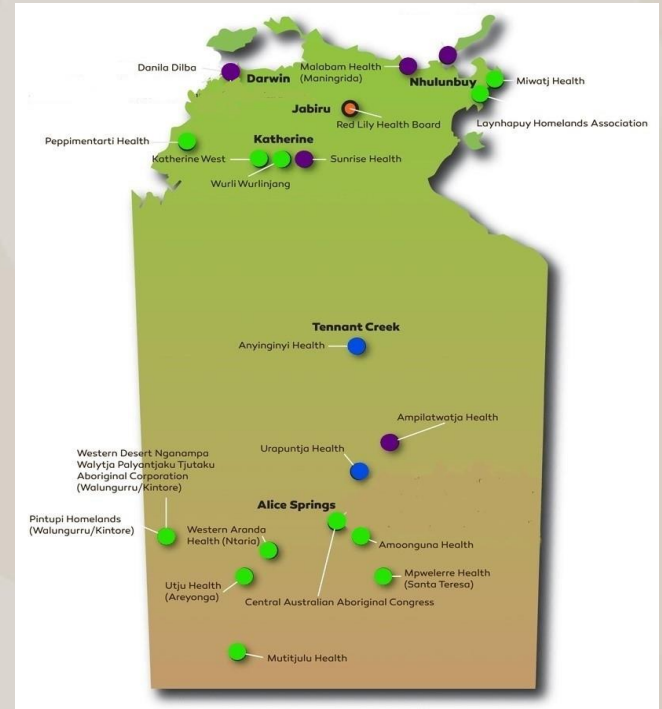
However, we have continued to support services through virtual meetings using Zoom and Teams. More than 85% of Aboriginal Medical Services (AMS) are now partnering with TKC.

Demonstrations to the various groups and overseeing bodies across the NT Department of Health and NT Department of Corporate and Digital Development have raised the profile of TKC, ensuring TKC remains high on the priority of the development teams tasked with transitioning different data systems to the new clinical information system

Menzies has secured funding to undertake two evaluations of TKC. A long-term, cost effective analysis of TKC has begun in November and will occur over 5 years. In collaboration with Tasmania and Western Melbourne, we will also undertake a comparative analysis of CKD information and management systems used in each jurisdiction. This will provide important information to the Australian kidney community on effective mechanisms for the monitoring and management of people with kidney disease.

March 2021 Update

Communities Engaged



● Sharing data ● Implementation ● In consultation

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- In 2021, the TKC team will-**
- Commence GP clinical Reference Group
 - Follow-up with remaining non-government (AMS) health services for TKC agreements
 - Release TKC version 1.4.7
 - Design and finalise TKC evaluation plan and tool
 - Continue work on transition and integration with ACACIA

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