

The Program of Experience in the Palliative Approach (PEPA) prepares the Australian health workforce to care for people with chronic, advanced and life-limiting conditions. PEPA offers:

- Short-term placements for health care providers in specialist palliative care services
- Reverse PEPA for aged care and other facilities
- Palliative approach workshops

## Clinical Placements 1 January 2015 – 30 June 2017

### Statistics



**835**  
Placements



**3,175**  
Clinical Placement Days



**111**  
Reverse PEPA placements

### Disciplines



**60%**  
Nurses



**15%**  
GPs / other medical practitioners



**12%**  
Allied Health Professionals

### Participants' Sector



**39%**  
Aged care sector



**61%**  
Other care sectors

**7%**



identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander persons

**40%**



identified as having a CALD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) background

## Outcomes – All Placement Participants

**30%** increase

in average score of confidence in discussing end of life issues

**16%** increase

in average score of understanding principles of palliative approach to care

More than **98%**

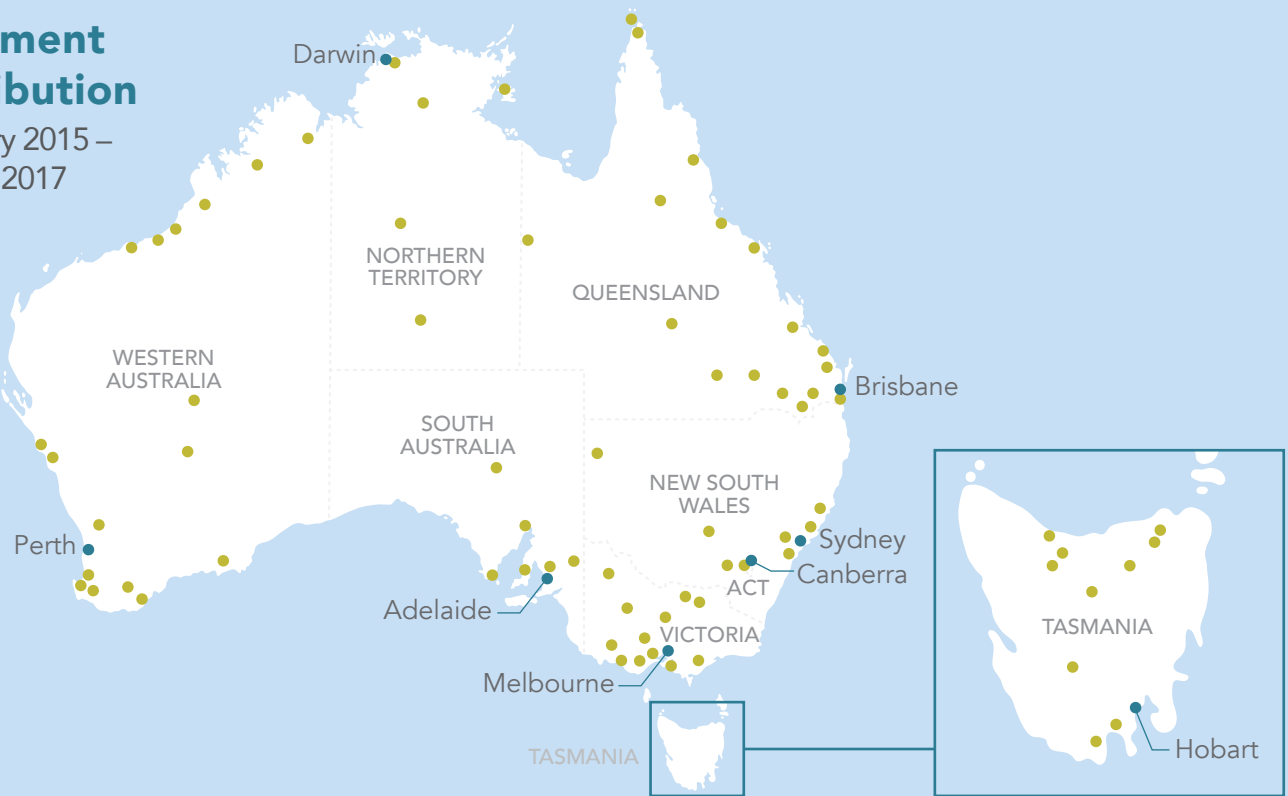
would recommend PEPA placements to their colleagues

### What our participants say

"I have cared for many Indigenous patients who have passed on. They were my inspiration to pursue PEPA. I have talked with other staff members about my experience at PEPA they also share in my passion to make a difference to persons with a life limiting illness." RN, Northern Territory

## Placement Distribution

1 January 2015 –  
30 June 2017



## Workshops 1 January 2015 – 30 June 2017



**398**

Total  
Workshops



**189**

Workshops in  
Palliative approach



**26**

Workshops in  
Culture-centred care  
– multicultural



**7,700**

Total  
Participants



**107**

Workshops in Palliative  
approach in aged care



**21**

Workshops in Culture-  
centred care –  
Australian Indigenous

## Workshop Outcomes

Participants  
reported a

**24%**

increase in confidence to identify the needs  
of people who have a life limiting illness

### What our participants' employers say

"The employee has delivered her knowledge and view of improvements to other colleagues. The participant is currently assisting a Director of Care to review our policy of Palliative Care management."

*South Australia – Residential Aged Care Facility*