

Eastern Health –GP Liaison Project

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Why invest energy in such a project?

- History that prevented constructive work between GPs/Public Hospitals
- Improve knowledge of Divisions and what they can offer the public hospital system such as partnership projects (Asthma AIR)
- GPs had wanted such a project for a number of years

What did the Division think was in it for GPs/Division?

- Improved working relationships
- Improved navigation of the system for GPs- a central contact point
- Improved knowledge in the wider community of the role of Divisions

What did the Division hope the project would achieve?

- Improved working relationships between GPs/Public Hospitals
- Increased involvement of GPs in Eastern Health planning
- **Ultimately—Improved continuity of care for patients**

Do other Divisions have similar expectations of GPLOs?

- This project is different to most—GPLOs/Project Officers located in the Divisions-
- Was important to engage GPs—and the best way to do that is through Divisions—also no room at the hospitals to accommodate staff associated with the projects
- Once project has been embraced may be possible to move staff into the hospitals