

## Community partnerships are good for us all.

### *Benefits for communities*

- ✓ Better health outcomes
- ✓ Better care
- ✓ Empowerment and an opportunity to be heard
- ✓ A sense of belonging in our communities

### *Benefits for health services*

- ✓ A better understanding of what people need
- ✓ Becoming aware much sooner of the issues that matter
- ✓ Better relationships with our patients and communities

And because, quite simply,  
**IT IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.**



For a copy of the SESLHD Community Partnerships Strategy, go to:  
[http://www.seslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/Community\\_Partnership/docs/2015/SESLHDComPartStrategyFINAL.pdf](http://www.seslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/Community_Partnership/docs/2015/SESLHDComPartStrategyFINAL.pdf)

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IMPROVING HEALTH  
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IN SOUTH EAST SYDNEY



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South Eastern Sydney  
Local Health District

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS STRATEGY

## Our Vision

Effective and enduring  
partnerships to improve  
community health and wellbeing



Goal 1. Increase  
community  
participation and  
engagement

Goal 2. Ensure that  
community voices  
are genuinely heard  
and understood

Goal 3. Improve our  
responsiveness to  
community input  
and shift towards a  
co-producing  
approach to health  
service design and  
delivery

# HOW WE WILL GET THERE

## Strategic Directions

### 1: Build the organisational capacity of SESLHD to foster better community engagement.

This is about reflecting on our own organisation and making changes to the way that we work and think, in order to make lasting change.

### 2: Reshape our health services to enable more meaningful community involvement.

This relates to the design and delivery of our health services, across the whole District. This needs to be part of what we all do, every day.

### 3: Make specific and significant investments in community partnership initiatives.

How else can we more proactively reach out into our communities to engage people more effectively? We are committed to making specific investments to make sure that we do so effectively.

# OUR PRINCIPLES

Equity

Respect

Empathy

Diversity

Innovation

Best practice

Responsiveness

Accountability

Co-production

Two-way communication

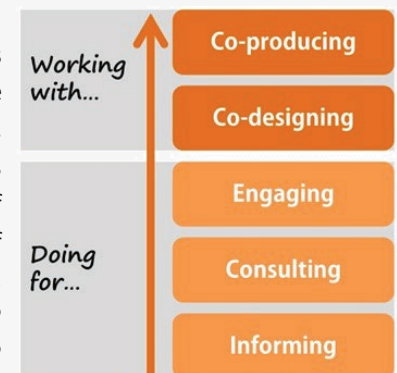


## What is co-production?

We need to move beyond doing things *for* communities, to a model where we genuinely work *with* them.

This is called **co-production**, and it places equal value on the professional training of health workers and the lived experience of individuals and communities.

What can this bring to our partnerships? And how can we *all* benefit from that?



Adapted from <http://www.sigeneration.ca/co-production/>