# Building Good Rehabilitation by Design

A story of collaboration and co-design









### Who are the clients?



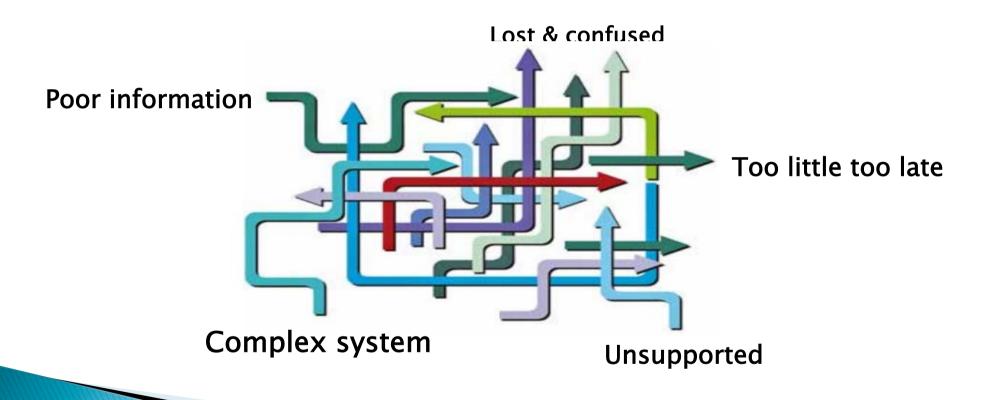
- Adults with a moderate to severe Traumatic Brain Injury
- Inpatient residential rehabilitation
- Specialist neurological
- Acute or community admissions

# LEVERAGING INFORMATION TO CREATE A NATION-WIDE PATHWAY FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY



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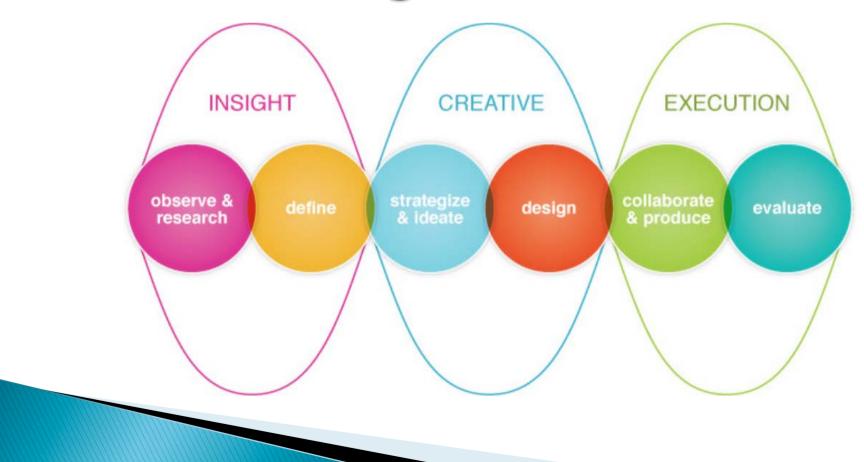
### Clients said

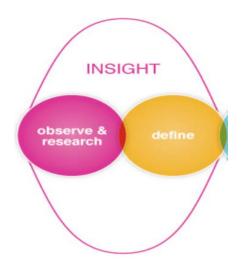


### Collaborative Co-design

- Respect
- Discussion & disagree
- Don't assume
- Agreed goals and values
- Perspective
- Facts

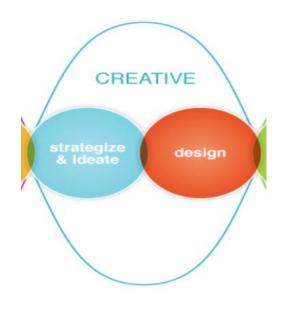
### Service Design Process





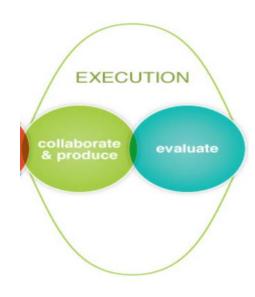
### What were the problems?

- Transition
- ACC
- Knowledge, skills and experience
- Focus
- Injured person only
- Information
- Approach
- Quality



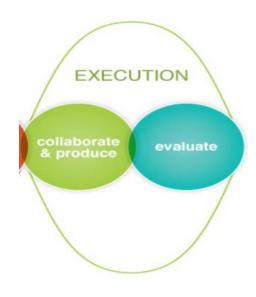
### Design Solutions

- Early Cover
- Supported Transitions
- New services
- ✓ Focus on quality AROC
- ✓ Improved data
- ✓ Improved coordination & administration



### Implement & Refine

- Tender
- Refinement
- Implementation
- Stakeholder satisfaction
- Post implementation review
- Continuous improvement



### Is anyone better off?

- Satisfaction surveys
  - Client and family experience
  - DHB acute suppliers
  - ACC case owners
  - Community suppliers
- Shorter transitions
- Length of Stay
- ▶ FIM gain 28 (AROC average)

### In conclusion

- Moderate to severe traumatic brain injury
- Extensive research
- Collaborative service design
- Trusting relationships
- Open tender
- Data, data, data
- On going refinement

# DEVELOPING A NEEDS-BASED SYSTEM OF FUNDING TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY REHABILITATION

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### Importance of getting it Right



### Contract lead

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Large portion of decision making with case owner



Approvals requiring to go through decision making process

**Prescriptive Input** 

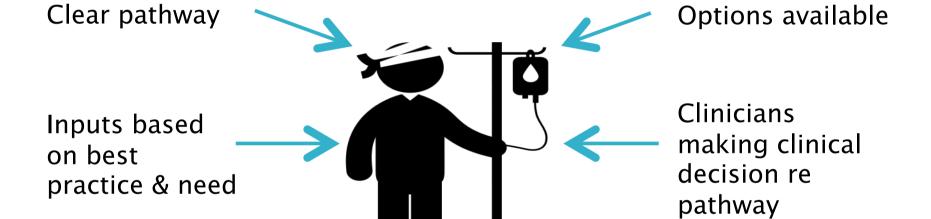
Little to no flexibility

### Client focussed

Family

Engagement





Prior approval

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Working party formed



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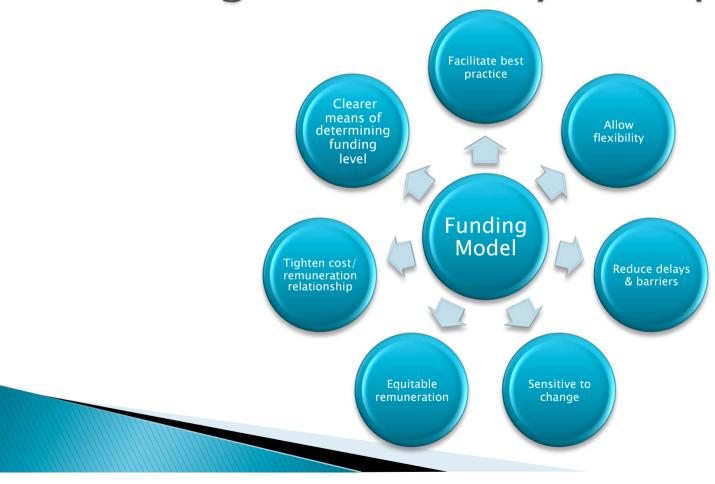








### Funding Model- Key Components



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### Option 1: Bulk funding

- Agreed staffing levels and profit
  - Retrospective reconciliation at agreed intervals
- Improved forecasting and budget setting
- Reduced providers/case manager queries
- No weekly cost measures
  - →Greater safety net for providers

# Option 2: Service Needs Profiling



- Associated cost linked closer to client
- Enables a clearer representation of inputs
  - What funders are paying for

#### Needed to be

- Validated tool
- Internationally accepted
- Road tested
- Comparable to the NZ environment

# Option 2: Rehabilitation Complexity Scale (RCS)













- Extensively tested at 49 UK rehab units
- Validated assessment tool; concise and convenient
- Used in daily practice to set the pricing-points for a number of UK

rehab contracts

4 years of NZ RCS data was available Turner-Stokes, L. (2007). Payment by Results: developing case-mix classification for rehabilitation; A UK update. *Conference presentation.* 

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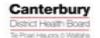
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Proposal written



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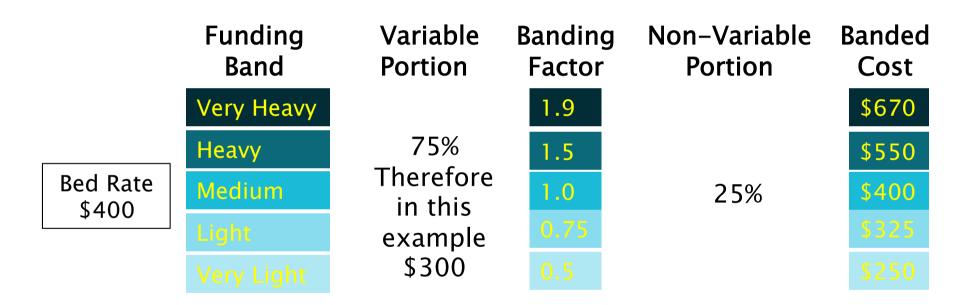


### **RCS Scoring**

Area of Complexity	Scoring
Care Needs	0-3
Nursing Needs	0-3
Number of Disciplines	0-3
Intensity of Therapy	0-3
Medical Needs	0-3

Converting RCS to a funding band					
0-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	13-15	
Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High	

### Example of Cost Make-up



(Modified from Turner-Stokes, Sutch, & Dredge, 2011)

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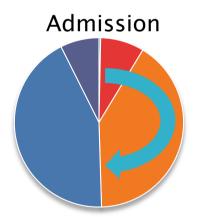
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### Using the RCS in practice

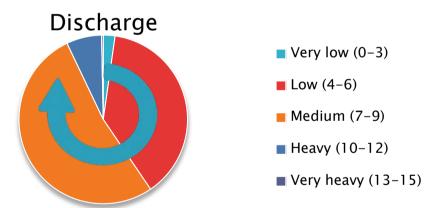
- Sensitive to change
  - Average Admission:
  - Average Discharge:



At admission, 50% of clients are medium or lower.

**9.5** (Heavy)

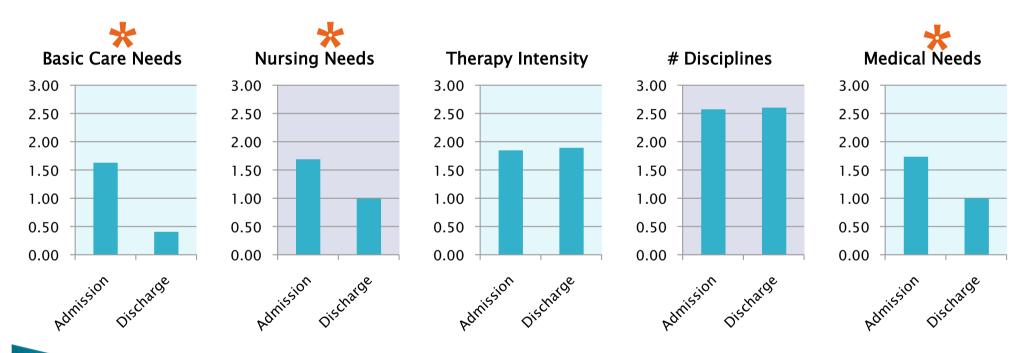
6.9 (Low)



At discharge, 93% of clients are medium or lower.

N=311 with both Admission and Discharge RCS data. Data collected between 2008-2012 by ABI Rehabilitation.

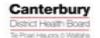
### RCS changes are due to basic care, skilled nursing and medical needs



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Development



Proposal written



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Process



Pricing team at ACC worked on pricing levels



ABI's RCS data was analysed

Workshop with TBIRR providers & ACC to fine tune model

### Outcome

### No PO's required

Clear entry and LoS criteria
Funded via a weekly complexity score
5 funding levels

Fixed day rate with overnight stay possible

Emerging Consciousness

Residential Rehabilitation Day Rehabilitation

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Communication & relationship management



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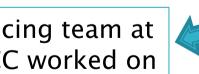
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### Pros and Cons of this method

#### **PROS**

- Reduced access barriers
- Incentivises high intensity
- Compensates for high complexity
- Cost/reimbursement correlation
- Builds trust via increased transparency
- Improved documentation

#### **CONS**

- Weekly re-assessment
- Need for continued monitoring/ audits
- Does not address occupancy issues
- Unable to adjust fixed costs when required
- Budgeting challenges
- May not address high costs if low scoring in other areas

#### OUTCOMES OF A NATIONALLY-CONSISTENT SYSTEM FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY REHABILITATION

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### Background and Aim

- Multiple providers
- Data collection inconsistent
- Comparing a challenge
- Nationally consistent system

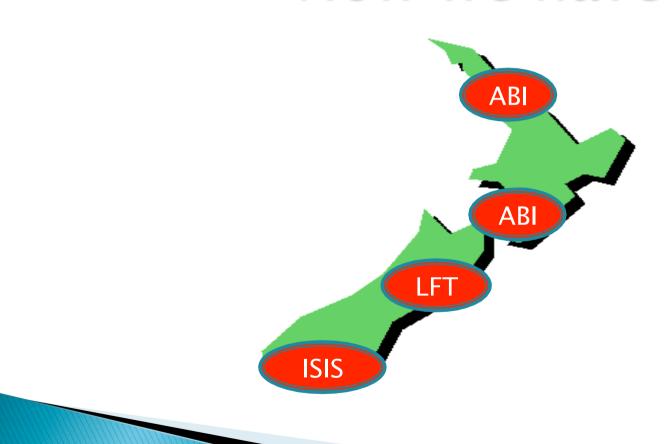
### In the past



### How this has changed

- New contract in April 2014
- Traumatic Brain Injury Residential Rehabilitation Service (TBIRR)
- Robust tender process
- 3 Suppliers awarded the contract

### Now we have



### Who we are

District Health Boards	Trauma Centres	Supplier
Northland DHB Waitemata DHB	Auckland DHB (Auckland Hosp) – Neurology  Counties Manukau DHB (Middlemore Hospital) – Orthopaedic & plastic (burns)	ABI Rehabilitation - Auckland - Wellington
Bay of Plenty Lakes DHB Tairawhiti DHB Hawkes Bay DHB	Waikato DHB	
Taranaki DHB Whanganui DHB Midcentral DHB Wairarapa DHB Hutt DHB Nelson Marlborough DHB	Capital and Coast DHB (Wellington Hospital)	
West Coast DHB South Canterbury DHB	Canterbury DHB	Laura Fergusson Trust - Christchurch
Southern DHB	Southern DHB	Southern DHB - ISIS Unit

#### What makes us different?



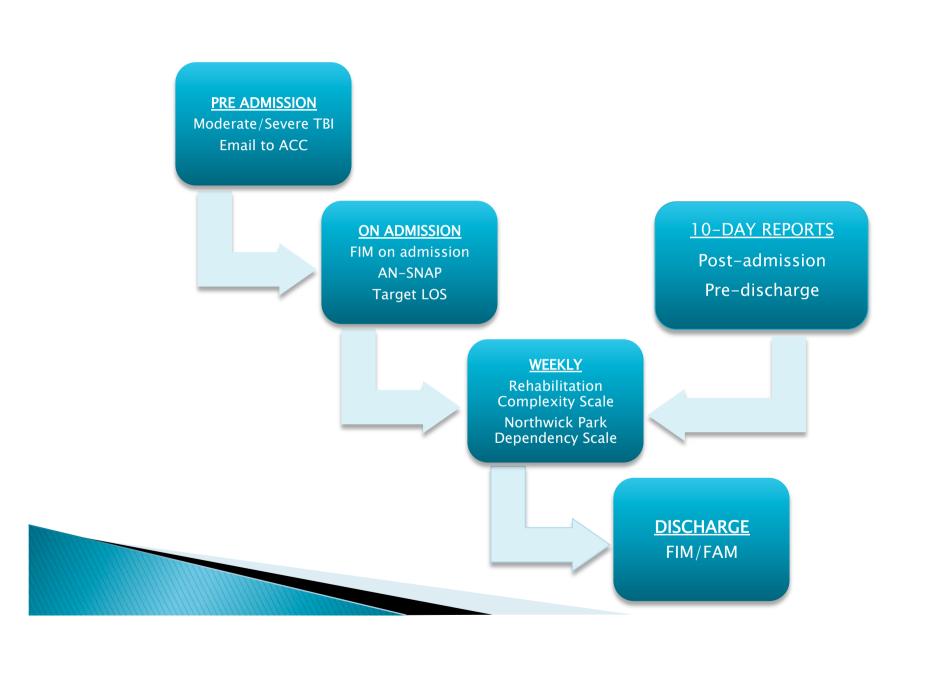


ABI ISIS LFT



### How to capture the work!

- Providers agreed on nationally consistent expectations for:
  - Assessments
  - Outcome Measures
  - Timeline

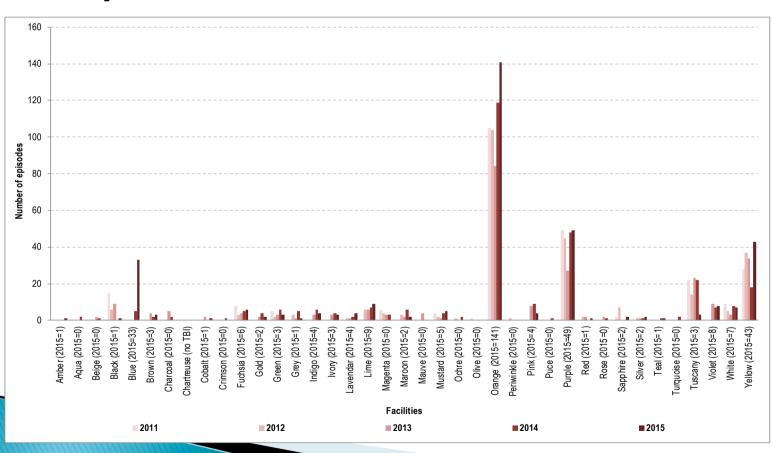


#### Was it worth it ?????

- All providers submit data to the Australasian Rehabilitation
   Outcomes Centre (AROC)
- Progressive utilization of Data
  - Optimal data collection
  - Focus rehabilitation plan
  - Estimated LOS from admission
  - Review of service provision

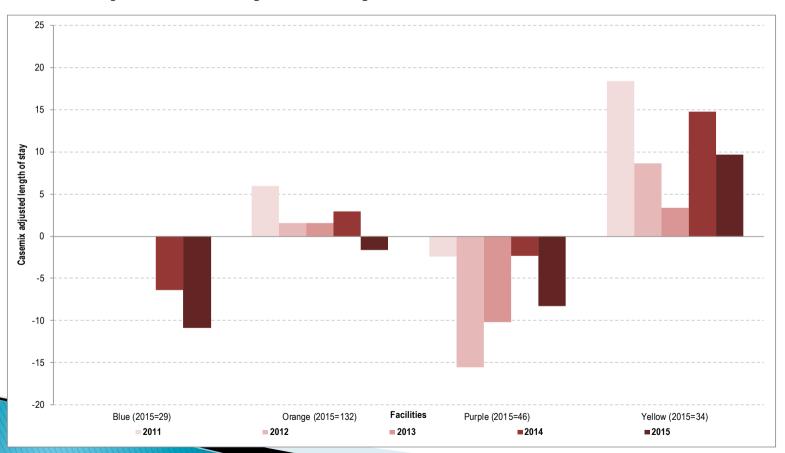


### Traumatic Brain Injury episodes by facility 2011 - 2015



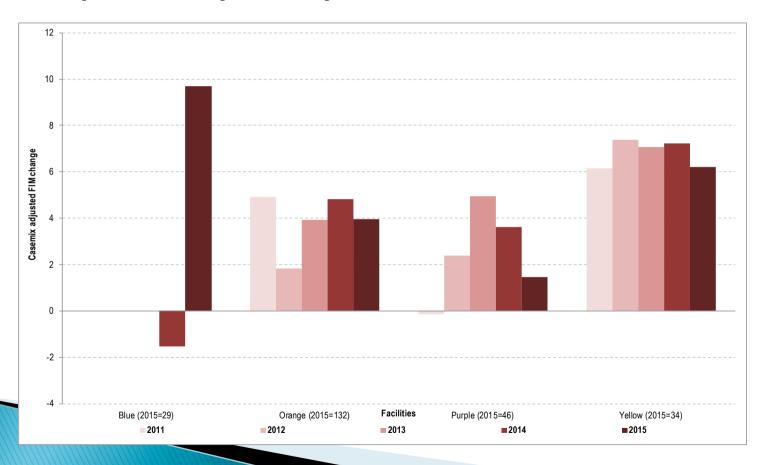


# Casemix adjusted LOS, completed TBI episodes by facility 2011 - 2015





# Casemix adjusted FIM change, completed TBI episodes by facility 2011 - 2015



# How we measure the quality of the service

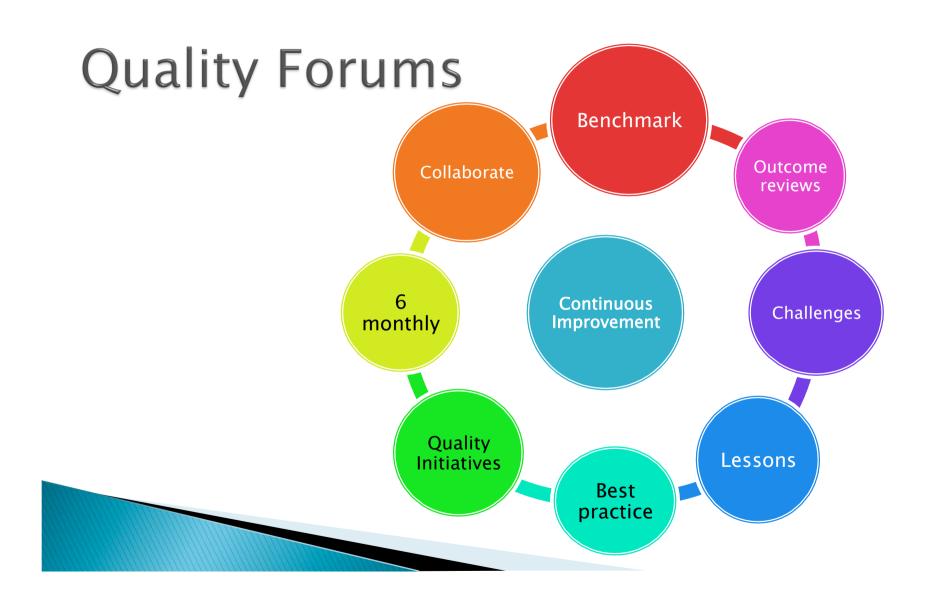
Family

Client

**Funder** 

Community Team

Home and Community Support Services



Presentations to date



### Summing Up

#### Key points:

- Less providers
- Specialist services
- Consistent ways of measuring outcomes
- Benchmarking
- Quality improvements

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