# Improving the Health of the Population – The Singapore Model

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#### **Primary Healthcare**

- Polyclinics (20%)
- Private GP Clinics (80%)

# Secondary & Tertiary Specialist Care

- Restructured Hospitals & National Centres (80%)
- Private Hospitals (20%)

# Residential Long Term Care

- Public (36%)
- Not for profit (40%)
- Private (24%)

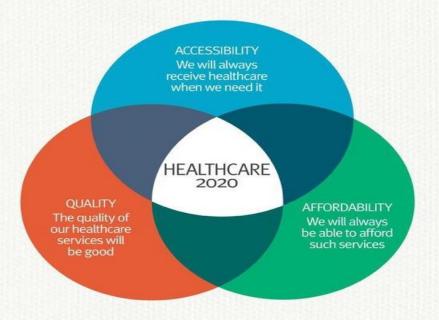
## **Hybrid Healthcare System**



## **Healthcare 2020:**

# Improving Accessibility, Quality & Affordability

In March this year, the Ministry of Health unveiled the Healthcare 2020 Masterplan - essentially measures to enhance the accessibility, affordability, and quality of healthcare — to better meet the needs of Singaporeans.



## **Strategies**

Improve Quality Outcomes · Raise Care Standards

**Integrate Care Through Regional Health Systems** 



Grow and retain our pool of healthcare professionals

Improve healthcare financing to keep healthcare affordable

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# Singapore tops in life expectancy at 84.8 years

Average S'porean enjoys longest span of good health, but years spent in poor health also up

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Singapore topped the world in life

policies are formulated and implemented.

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 Years lived in good health (2017)

 Male
 Years
 Female

 Singapore
 72.58
 Singapore

 Hong Kong
 72.34
 Hong Kong

 Japan
 71.41
 Japan

 Switzerland
 71.19
 Spain

 Italy
 70.63
 South Korea

Life expectancy (2017)

Switzerland

Singapore

Hona Kona

67.06

1990

Life expectancy and healthy years

Female

Singapore

Hong Kong

Japan

Iceland

Spain

Years

87.55

87.21

86.11

85.94

85.83

Years

75.81

75.01

74.65

73.62

73.45

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Years

82.12

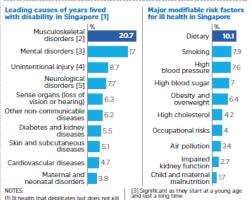
81.94

81.28

81.15

81.08

76.1 Source: THE BURDEN OF DISEASE IN SINGAPORE, 1990-2017 Poor health and the main causes



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4.9% of GDP

spent on healthcare in 2016

**2016**: **~\$21** billion 2010: \$10.9 billion

NOTES:

(3) Significant as they start at a young age and list at long time

(2) Injury to the bones, joints, muscles, lendords, ligaments or nerves

(4) Half of the Injuries were caused by falls

(5) Including dementus, headache and stroke

Rising demand of healthcare with an **ageing population** 

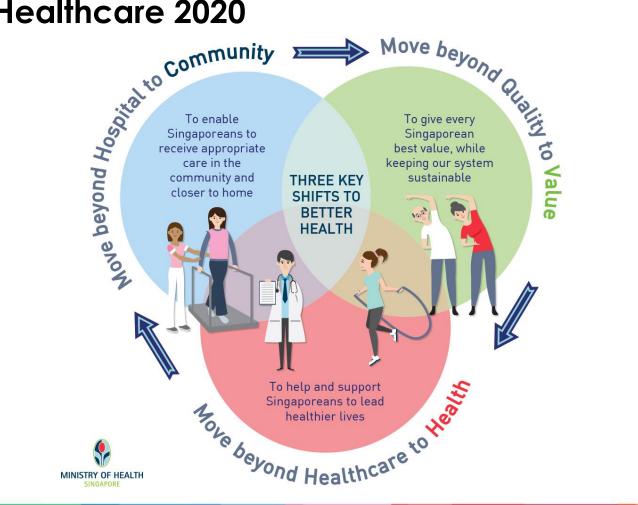


1 in 4 Singaporeans will be aged 65 & above in 2030 Bloomberg 2019 Healthiest Country Index

2019 Rank	2017 Rank	Change	Economy	Health Grade	Health Score	Health Risk Penalties
1	6	+5	Spain	92.75	96.56	-3.81
2	1	-1	Italy	91.59	95.83	-4.24
3	2	-1	Iceland	91.44	96.11	-4.67
4	7	+3	Japan	91.38	95.59	-4.21
5	3	-2	Switzerland	90.93	94.71	-3.78
6	8	+2	Sweden	90.24	94.13	-3.89
7	5	-2	Australia	89.75	93.96	-4.21
8	4	-4	Singapore	89.29	93.19	-3.90
9	11	+2	Norway	89.09	93.25	-4.16
10	9	-1	Israel	88.15	92.01	-3.86



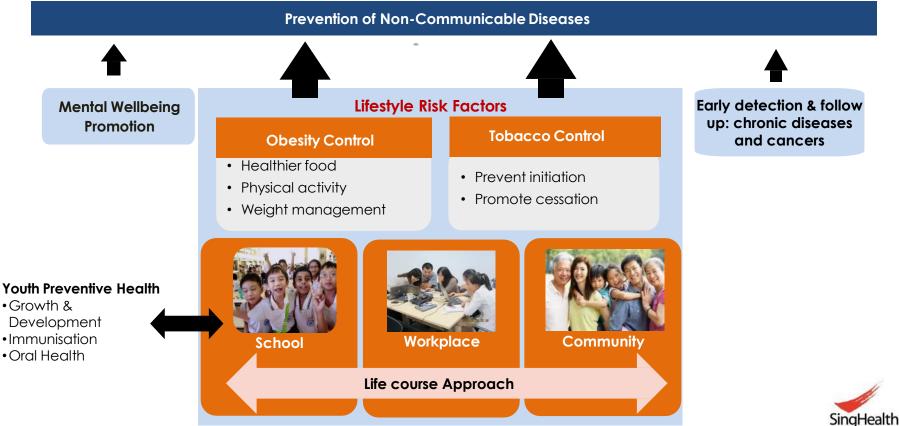
## **Beyond Healthcare 2020**







# Ecosystemic approach to influence lifestyle behaviours across life-course



# Formation of 3 Integrated Clusters



# SingHealth Regional Health System

Vision

Transforming Care.
Improving Health



# Mission Partnering communities to

#### **Keep Well**

Population Health Improvement

Keeping the population as healthy as possible in the community

#### **Get Well**

Population Health Management

Access to right care at the right place and time

#### Age Well

**Ageing in Place** 

The ability to live in one's own home and community safely, independently, and comfortably, regardless of age, income or ability level



## Life Journey Approach to Population Health



**Behavioural** 

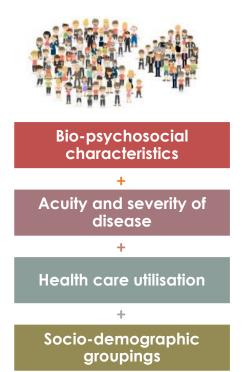
**Economic** 

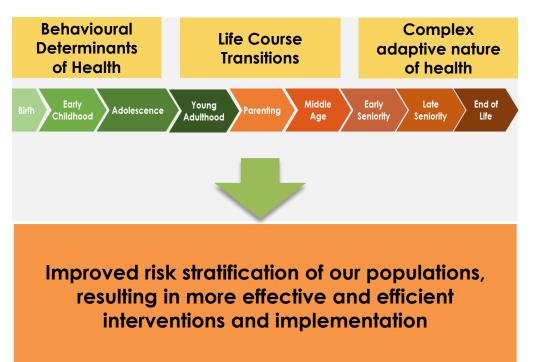
Age



## **Delivering Care That Matters**

Taking into consideration **behavioral and social determinants** of health and a **life course perspective** 







# **Communities of Care**

#### Geographical Team-Based Approach

- ✓ Deeper understanding of the population needs in the respective zones
- ✓ Skill-mix to cater to different levels of needs and care
- √ Greater accessibility
- ✓ Ease of collaboration and building capability for health & social care personnel
- ✓ Increase efficiency in resource allocation



## **Enabling Seamless and Coordinated Care**



 Coordination of care within the hospital

Patient Navigators/ Case Managers

**Flow** from Hospital to Community

- Direct medical and nursing care (as needed)
- Multidisciplinary reviews
- Care coordination and monitoring
- Supported through virtual care

Handover of cases. Coordination and link Community team may be back to medical team in involved before hospital discharge **Integrated Community Care Team Community Nurse** Allied Health Community Doctors **Professionals** Coordinators **Partnership** 

**Link** to Community Resources

Primary Care e.g. Polyclinic & GPs ILTC providers
e.g. Home medical &
home nursing, SCC

Community partners e.g. GROs, SGO

**Hold** in Community



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# SingHealth Community Nursing

**Objectives** 

Building healthy & empowered community

Right siting & Integration of care

Continuing quality care in community and ageing in place

Roles

#### **Prevent**

Preventive Health for Seniors

#### **Empower**

Empowerment of Selfmanagement of Chronic Conditions

#### Re-enable

Transitional Care for High Risk Clients, Post Acute Care

#### **Palliate**

Palliative Care for Clients with Nonmalignant Conditions

















### Preventive Health for the Well & Pre-frail





### **Community Health Posts**

- Located at RCs & CCs
- Nurses' roles:
  - Regular health coaching and monitoring individuals with abnormal screening results to
    - Make healthy lifestyle changes
    - Promote follow-up with primary care providers
  - Individual & group education and activities







### Preventive &Self-Management Service for Frail Seniors

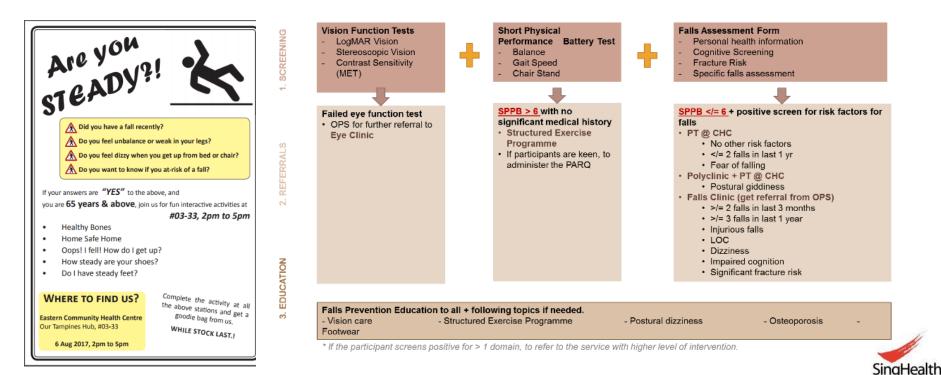






## **Community Falls Prevention Programme**

Developed by Community Nursing, Community Geriatrics, Ophthalmology, and Rehabilitation Service



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## **Community Falls Prevention Programme**







1st Level: Falls Screening & Awareness



Screening

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Level: Comprehensive Falls Assessment, Education & Follow Up Interventions



**Vision Screening** 





Gait & Balance



Falls Risk Questionnaire & Education



## **Community Nurse Posts**

Self-management & empowerment for frail seniors & their caregivers







#### Services

Health & Geriatric Assessment e.g. falls, forgetfulness Health Coaching for Disease Prevention Chronic Disease Monitoring & Selfmanagement Education Medication Self Management Support & Education

Care Referral & Coordination



# Support for patients with high risks & complex care needs





# Safe and timely transit from hospital to home for

- Frail patients with complex care needs, high healthcare utilisation, and/or
- High risk of preventable readmissions

### Hospital to Home (H2H) Service

Basic and advanced nursing care and procedures

Specialized care management

Care and case management

Patient and caregiver education and training

### **Early-Discharge Services**



Community OPAT: complete IV antibiotics treatment via home care

Subcutaneous injection for chemotherapy

Community vascular wound management



# **Health Management Unit**

#### Telecare for chronic disease management





**Telecarers (trained nurses) provide regular phone support** to patients with diabetes, COPD, heart failure, hip fracture and acute myocardial infarct

#### **Tele-monitoring**

Monitor parameters such as blood glucose, pulse rate, blood pressure and weight

#### Tele-education

Patients are educated on how to recognise and manage symptoms

#### Care Coordination

Telecarers coordinate patients' care with partners: polyclinics and GPs, case managers, psychologists, AHPs, ILTC sector

#### Patient Relations Management IT system

Alerts telecarers when patients visit the A&E, are admitted to the hospital, miss their follow-up appointments, or have any abnormal lab results

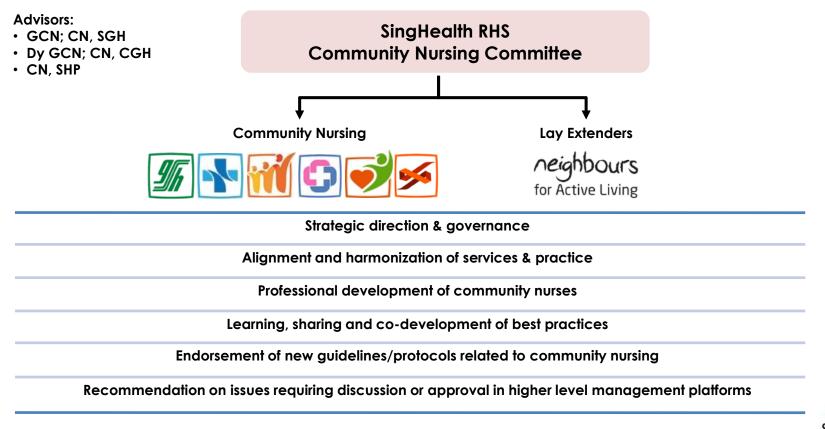




Early intervention and follow-up care

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## **Oversight of Community Nursing Development**





# Community Palliative Nursing (Generalist) Training & Competency Framework

#### **Aim**

Equip community nurses with the knowledge and skills to provide palliative home care

### **Training providers**













### **Competencies**

#### A. Palliative care management

- Assessment and care planning including Advanced Care Planning
- Symptom management, comfort and well being
- Communications

#### **B. Procedural Skills**

- •Subcutaneous insertion & management
- High fleet enema
- Per rectal examination
- Oral care
- Fentanyl patch application, disposal & patient education

Basic ELNEC (2 days) + subset training OR E-learning



20-hour clinical attachment to hospices / palliative care services



Palliative care journal club, case logs, other related training

# Thank You

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