

Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday season

Thank you to all our supporters and partners for your continued commitment during 2020. While it has been a year of significant change and disruption, it has also shown us how quickly we can adapt and respond when we work together.

We are pleased to announce that we are ending 2020 on a high note with the recent commencement of two strategic pillars - please see below for an overview of our achievements and highlights this year. 2021 will be another exciting and important year for us, we look forward to sharing key updates and working with you to deliver on our Strategy for 2020-2022.

2020 Highlights



February

- The Partners endorsed and commenced our Strategy 2020-2022 with our shared vision and five strategic pillars.
- Project leads and partners will work together to contribute to Australia's return to a COVID-safe working environment that supports diversity, inclusion and contributes to the recovery of sectors and industries.

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March

- Published *Principles on the role of the GP in supporting work participation*
- Officially recognised as a Supported Position Statement by the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, and later endorsed by Heads of Workers' Compensation Authorities.

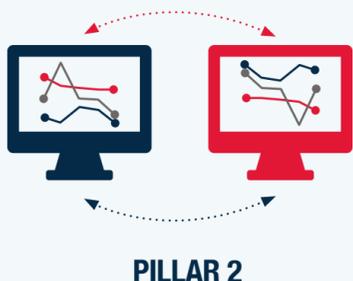
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June

- Completed Employer Mobilisation trial with two national employers to build their capability for hiring, retaining and supporting workers with a health condition or disability
- Led by the Department of Education, Skills and Employment

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August

- Commenced Pillar two: transition support service pilot for people exiting a workers' compensation system, in partnership with EML and new project contributor, WorkSafe Victoria
- Builds on past research: Cross-sector systems, Employee Awareness and Empowerment
- Early findings show:
 - the need for transition support
 - people are motivated to work
 - people need help to navigate the complexity of systems

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November

- Commenced Pillar One: measuring movement of people across systems and finding ways to improve work participation
- Commissioned Monash University in partnership with The University of Melbourne
- Builds on past research: Cross-sector systems
- First steps:
 - survey and in-depth interviews with people who have interacted with an Australian income and benefit support systems
 - building an Australian-first data model to quantify and predict the movement of people across the income support systems

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We welcome WorkSafe Victoria to the Collaborative Partnership as a project contributor to Pillar 2: transition support service trial.

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The Collaborative Partnership is a national alliance working together to improve work participation. We have made some important progress, but there is still work to do to break down barriers in our systems and culture to bring about changes that benefit all Australians.

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