

CHILD HEALTH OUTREACH PROGRAM AMPE MWARRE-ILEME

25 GAP ROAD – (OLD I.T BUILDING)



THE CHOP TEAM

INTEGRATED SERVICES

- Shontel De Graaff – RN & Team Leader
- Toni Braitling - RN
- Sarah Inglis – RN
- Kelly-Anne Kenny – Aboriginal Family Support Worker
- Dr Deb Bird
- Manager- Claudia Griffiths (RN)

PROGRAM AIMS

- To promote the health and wellbeing of Indigenous children living in Alice Springs with a chronic complex illness through:
 - Case management, intensive outreach clinical care and support
 - Culturally-appropriate care and support to empower families in the management of their children's healthcare needs
 - Addressing social determinants that impact upon the health of families and children in Central Australia
 - Access to and awareness of healthcare services, including referrals to allied health services and other agencies.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR CHOP?

- Is client an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person?
- Are they primarily a town resident?
- Is the client between the ages of 0 and 15 years?
- Has the client got a chronic or complex illness?
- Do the family of the client and/or the family require additional support in managing this chronic or complex illness/condition?
- Is the family aware of the referral? (*Referrals to CHOP require consent from the primary carer.*)

Must answer YES to ALL questions!

WHAT IS A CHOP CLIENT?

- **Low birth weight**
- **Premature**
- **Diabetes**
- **Respiratory disease**
- **Cardiac Disease**
- **Renal Disease**
- **Failure to thrive**
- **ARF/Rheumatic Heart Disease**
- **Cancer**
- **Diagnosed developmental delays**
- **Other chronic conditions**

OTHER CONDITIONS WE CO-ORDINATE/MANAGE

- (Multiple conditions for same client)
- Sexual health
- Diabetes > Diabetes in Youth clinics
- Hearing
- Dental
- Eyes

WHY DOES CHOP WORK?

- We are an outreach service
- Medication at home – BLA's/ Azithromycin/pharmacy medications drop offs/ monitoring scripts
- Help with transport if needed (90% of our clients need our help getting to appointments)
- We can assess and refer on to more appropriate services if not suitable to CHOP (diabetes, dietician etc)
- Education and regular GP appointments at ASH and CAAC
- Regular weights and monitoring

THE CHOP CLIENT- AN EXAMPLE

Tommy, 10 year old male, recently diagnosed with RHD. His family live out of town, and have no access to transport. He is referred from ASH to CHOP for RHD management and follow up. CHOP accepts the referral and completes a home visit to engage with family and their needs. The following is an indicator of the follow up and management needed for **one** RHD child:

- 21-28 day BLA administration
- Dental assessments every 3/6/12 months depending on Priority (as per RHD register).
- Skin checks
- Cardiac appointments
- Paediatric appointments
- CHOP appointments
- ECHO
- USS

This is just for one client. We currently have approximately 20 ARF/RHD clients, each needing this management and follow up.



AN EXAMPLE OF A SUCCESSFUL (RHD) CHOP CLIENT

Prophylaxis Details

Prophylaxis Type: BPG 4w

Start Date: 08/11/2017

Proposed Cease Date: 08/11/2027

Actual Cease Date:

Age Ceased:

Comments: Priority 3 standard care - for prophylaxis review by specialist with recent echo at age 21 or 10 years after most recent episode of ARF (whichever is longest)

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Yearly Dose Information

Year	Dose Number
2017	3
2018	14
2019	3

Next Dose Date: 25/03/2019

Prophylaxis Dose Details

Dose Date	Dose Period	Dose Amount	Dose Clinic
14/12/2018	13th Period	Given	CAAC
23/11/2018	12th Period	Given	CAAC
29/10/2018	11th Period	Given	CAAC
07/10/2018	10th Period	Given	CAAC
13/09/2018	10th Period	Given	CAAC
30/07/2018	8th Period	Given	CAAC
09/07/2018	7th Period	Given	CAAC
14/06/2018	6th Period	Given	CAAC
22/05/2018	6th Period	Given	CAAC
01/05/2018	5th Period	Given	CAAC
04/04/2018	4th Period	Given	CAAC
14/03/2018	3rd Period	Given	CAAC
15/02/2018	2nd Period	Given	CAAC
22/01/2018	1st Period	Given	CAAC
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- 14 BLA's given in one year ✓
- Dental up to date ✓
- Annual flu vaccination ✓
- Immunisations ✓
- Regular ECHOs, HB checks, health checks ✓
- Annual GP/Paeds appointment ✓
- Regular Cardiology appointments ✓

CHOP CLINIC DAYS

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY MORNINGS 0830/0930 - 1230

- Run by Dr Deb + the rostered RN of the week
- CHOP provide transport to and from clinic appointments
- Health checks, care plans, IMMS, ASQ's, sexual health, specialist referrals, housing letters, medication prescriptions etc

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS- A FEW EXAMPLES

- 100% of our clients are up-to-date and regular with their RHD injections (20 children)
- Most of our clients have had regular health checks (including screening for Anaemia and iron deficiency) and referred (and taken to) audiology, eye-clinic and Diabetes in Youth clinics.
- We endeavour to screen every child up to 4 years old on CHOP for developmental delays using the ASQ
- Sexual health screening (and contraception implementation for teenaged-women on our program)
- Early Learning, Pre-school readiness and school enrolments and ongoing monitoring of attendance
- Successful donation scheme set up for winter clothing for the children.
- Territory Families and in-house referrals and notifications leading to intensive support services for families experiencing neglect/poor social circumstances
- Roll-out of the 'Temporary Medical Intervention' program for school children needing acute medical care
- CHOP in-services and meetings held within CAAC and at external services to educate people about our program
- Effective referral process to rural/remote community nurses when our transient children head out bush to ensure continuity of care
- Supporting clients with letters for Territory Housing.

QUESTIONS?

