



**Shifting the dynamic in healthcare
Prevention is everyone's responsibility**

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The need for change: Demographic Advances

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Life Expectancy at Birth for EU-27 Countries, 2020

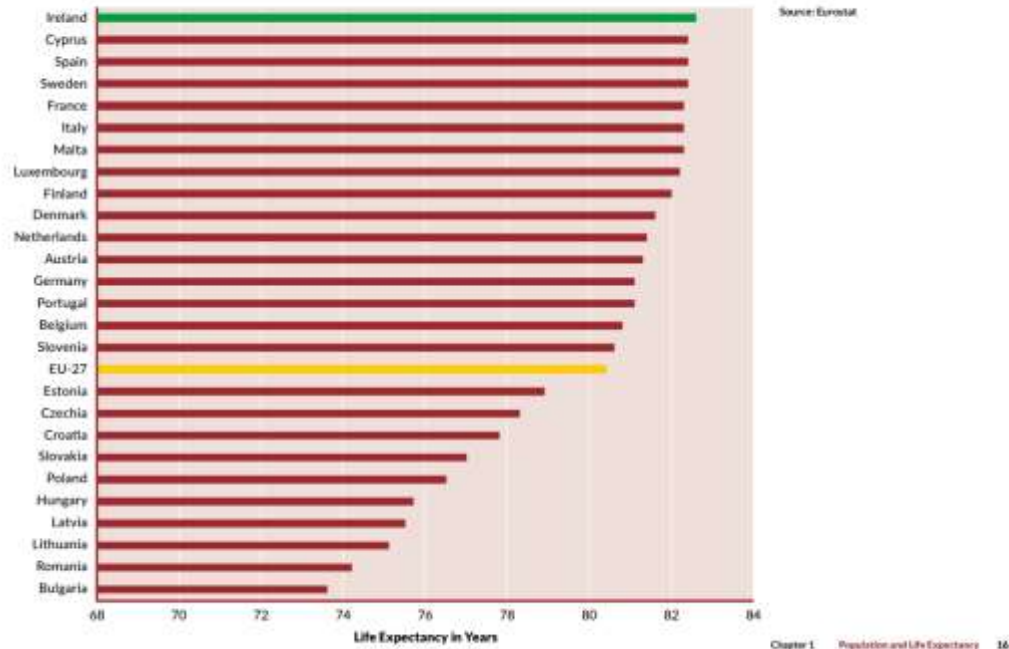
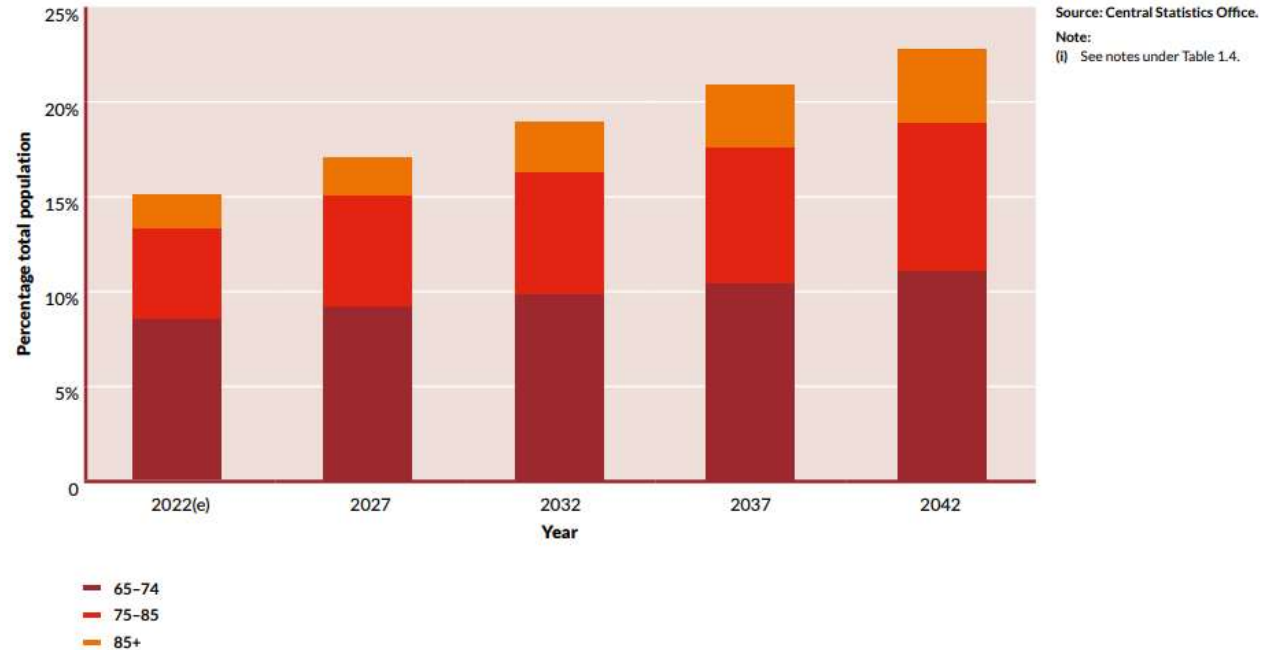


Figure 1.4
Older Age Groups: Population 2022 and Projected Population 2027-2042



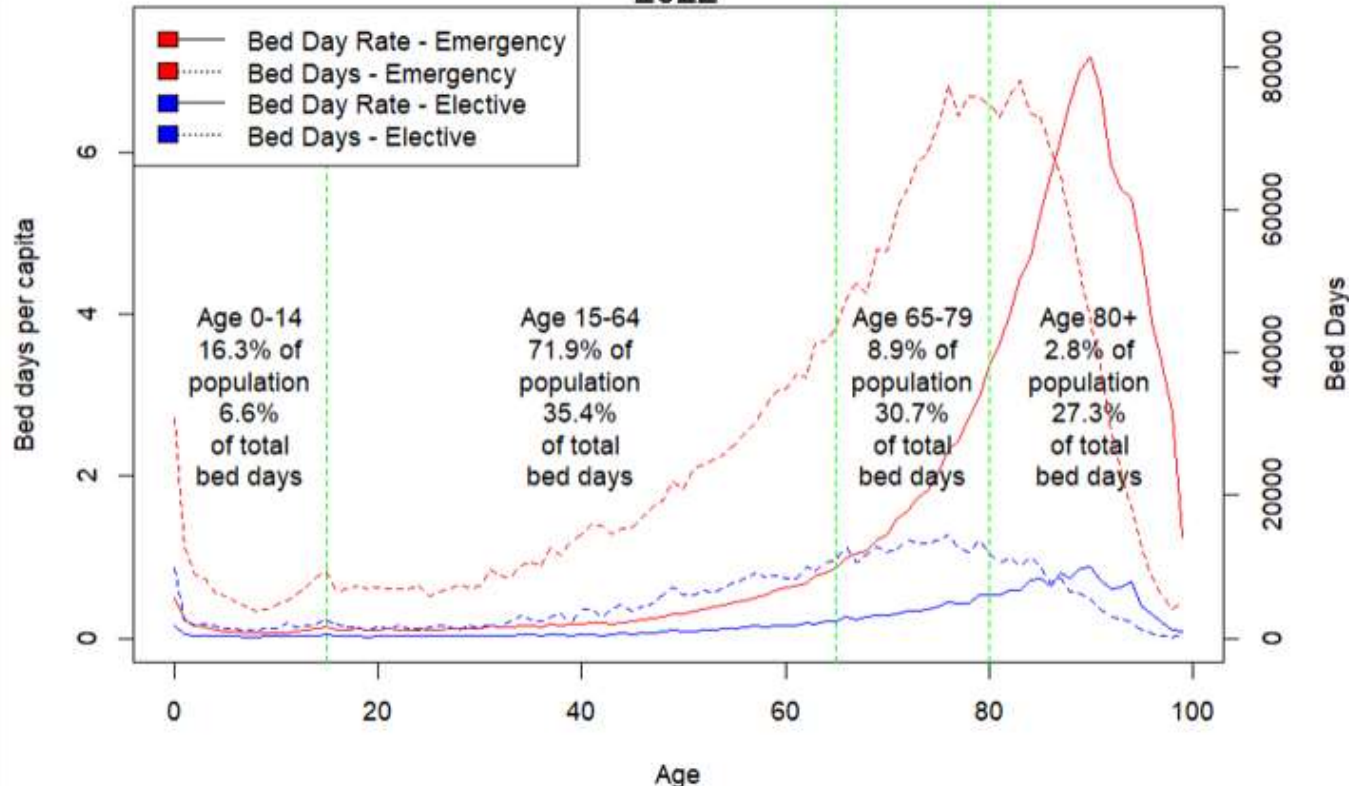
These demographic advances are from every lens a success.

- Ireland has the longest life expectancy in the EU
- The number of people over the age of 65 years is projected to almost double to over 1.3 million by 2042 (<https://data.cso.ie/table/FY006B> The highest increase in population was seen among the over 70s).
- The greatest proportional increase will be in the 85+ age group (<https://data.cso.ie/table/FY006B> The number of people aged 85 years and over increased by 25%).



The need for change: Age as a driver for change

Age-specific Inpatient Bed Day Rate per capita and Bed Days (excl. Maternity and Newborn) by Admission Type, 2022



- 55% of the bed days in public acute hospitals are used by those are 65 years and above.
- Demand per capita for healthcare increases sharply with increasing age.
- As our population ages we need to plan for the impact on future demand by service area.
- **Because demand per capita increases steeply in older age group, small increases in the numbers of older people lead to large increases in demand for care.**

Older Person Intensive Case Management (OPICM)

- Proactive identification, assessment and care planning
- Service and Care coordination
- Integrated, early supported discharge

Source: HIPE (2022 discharges)

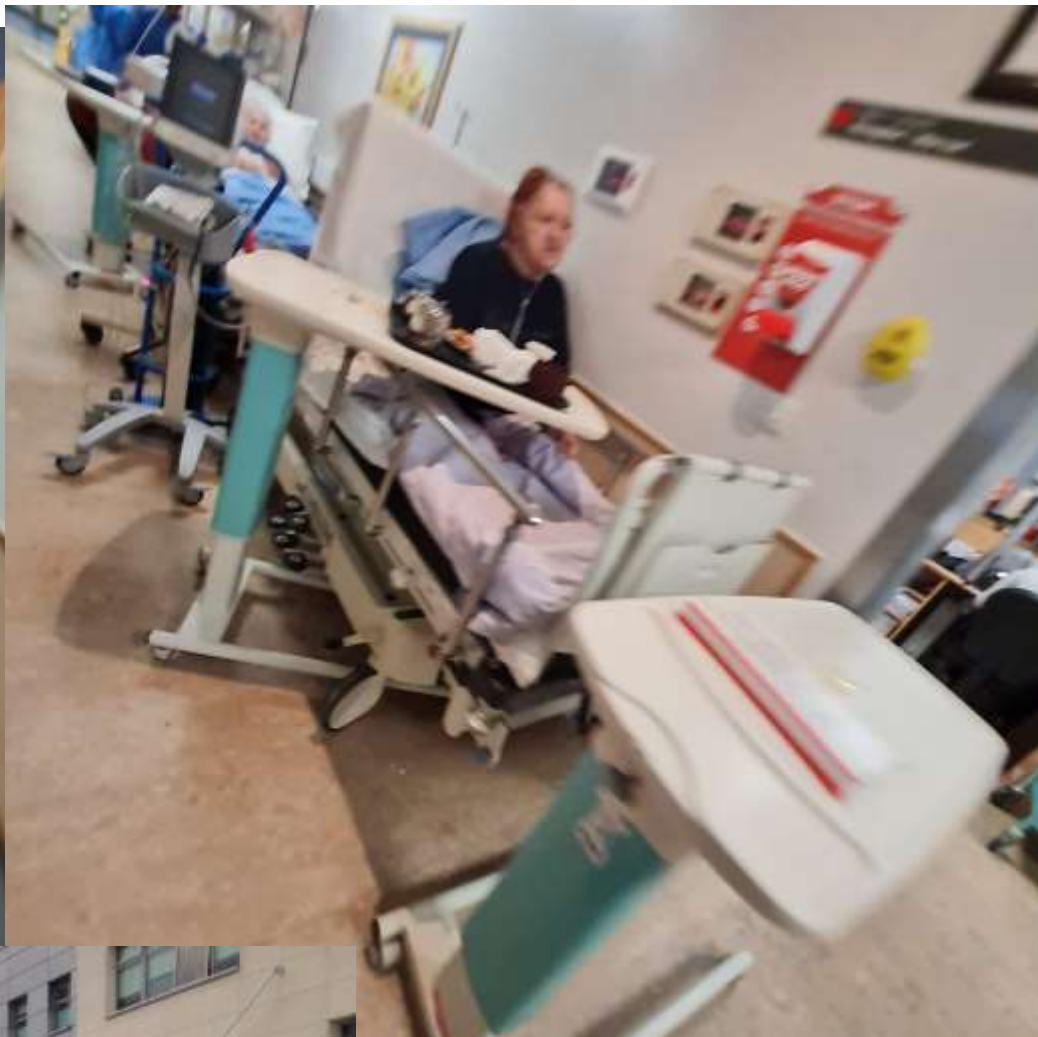


The need for change: Acute Hospital demands

As we age our need for health and social care services increases and our health services need to change to be 'Age Ready' (Aois Reidh).

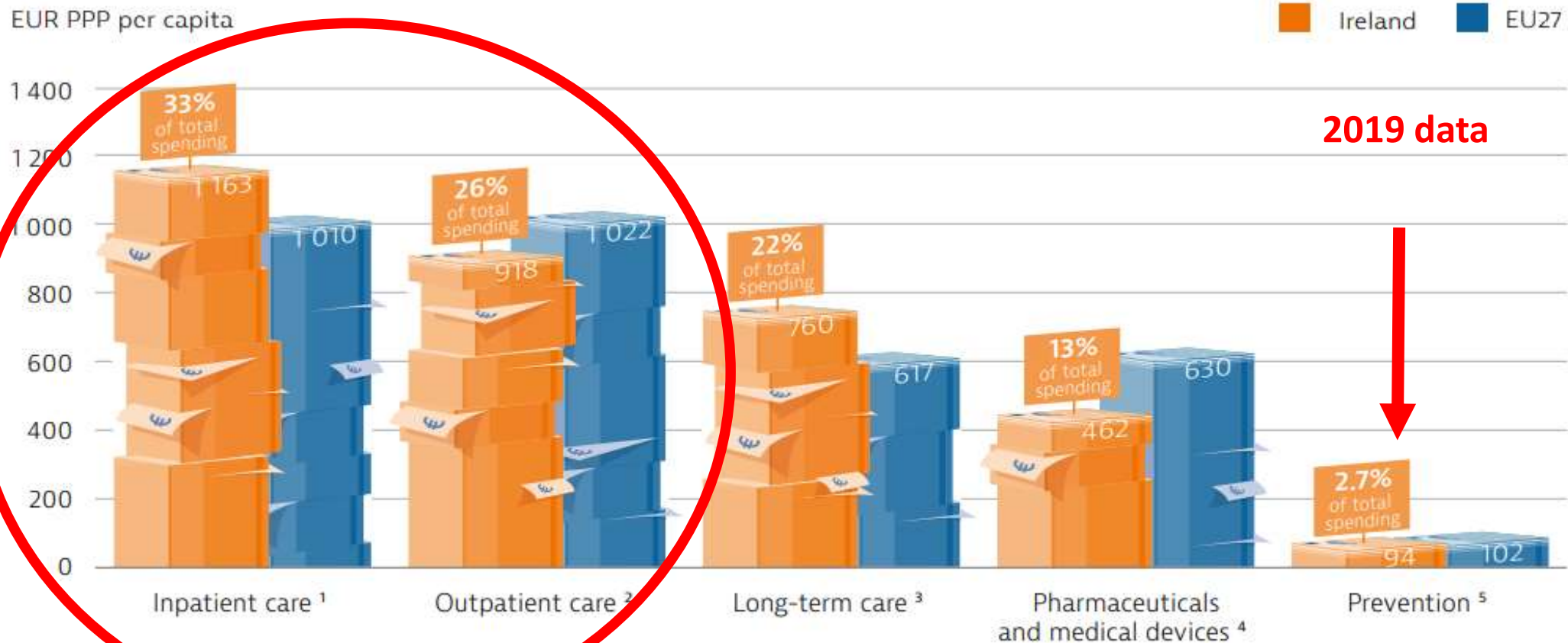


- ED Attendances 75+ Years Old have increased by 18.4% V 2019 (YTD 2023).
- ED Admissions 75+ Years Old have increased by 11.4% V 2019 (YTD 2023).





People are living longer but with increased levels of chronic disease & multimorbidity...



Note: The costs of health system administration are not included. 1. Includes curative-rehabilitative care in hospital and other settings; 2. Includes home care and ancillary services (e.g. patient transportation); 3. Includes only the health component; 4. Includes only the outpatient market; 5. Includes only spending for organised prevention programmes. The EU average is weighted.

Sources: OECD Health Statistics 2021, Eurostat Database (data refer to 2019).



The pandemic: Lessons learned & the way forward



Improve Population Health

- Strengthen and enhance Departments of Public Health
- Address health inequalities and improve health outcomes for vulnerable and marginalised groups
- Strong public engagement and effective communication to promote positive health seeking behaviours and halt the spread of misinformation
- Ensure robust preparedness plans are in place to respond to potential future health threats



Innovation in care delivery

- Continued and widespread adoption of digital healthcare solutions
- Reconceptualise care pathways
- Increasingly shift care delivery away from the acute setting to community settings
- Continued adaptation of new ways of managing clinical and operational processes
- Healthcare workers' well being must be supported and recognised as a care quality indicator



Data enabled health services

- Enhance clinical and operational data collection and analysis and use it to inform agile decision making
- Enhanced surveillance of disease indicators to ensure early warning mechanism are in place
- Integration of systems to enable data sharing and shared decision making



Health inequalities and the social determinants of health are not a footnote to the determinants of health. They are the main issue.

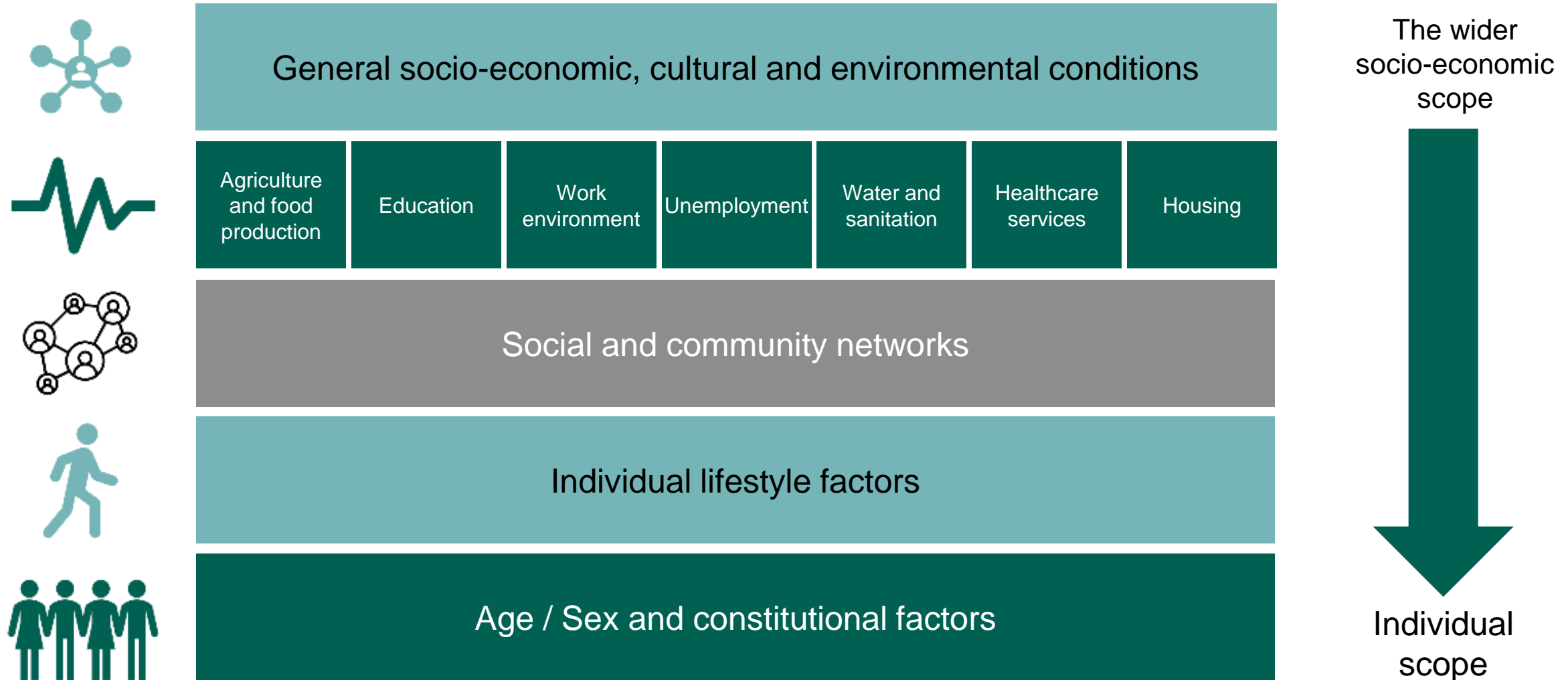
— *Michael Marmot* —

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Social Determinants of Health

The Health Service is one component of the multifactorial determinants of health; directing efforts to the broader issues and factors can reduce the overall burden on individual and public health status

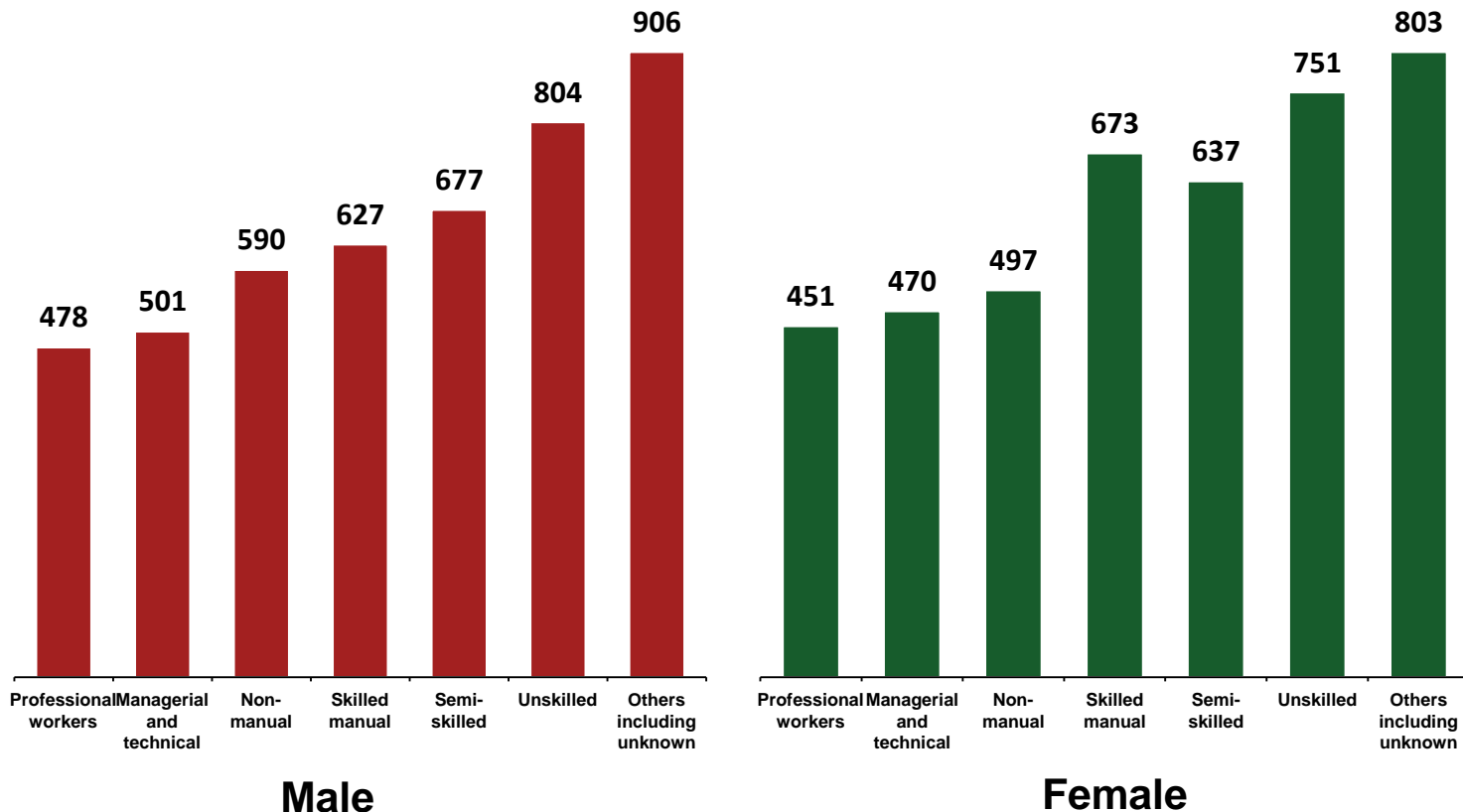




Social Determinants of Health

There is an inverse relationship between educational attainment level and mortality rates, with lower life spans being seen in lower skilled groups; this suggests a need for increased investment in health promotion and economic empowerment targeting the lower socio-economic groups

Standardised mortality rates by socio-economic level (per 100,000 population) 2016-2017 (adjusted for age and other factors)



- **Inverse relationship** between **skill/ educational level** and age-adjusted **mortality rates**, with higher death rates being seen in lower skilled population
- For males, the mortality rate for **unskilled workers** is almost **double** that of **professional workers**
- The key differentials between these socio-economic levels are **risk level** and **compensation**
- Higher compensation and benefits allows for health maintenance factors such as a **healthier diet and higher standard of living** including sufficient heating and electricity



Public Health Reform

The Health Service is strategically aligned with a renewed global commitment to public health: focus on maintenance and prevention, improving the health and wellbeing of Ireland over the coming years



Disease prevention



Control of infectious disease



Protect and promote child health



Reduce burden of chronic illness



Translational Research and healthcare planning



Safer environments



Reduce the prevalence of smoking



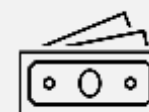
Promote healthy eating



Promote physical activity



Improve mental health and wellbeing



Ensure value for money

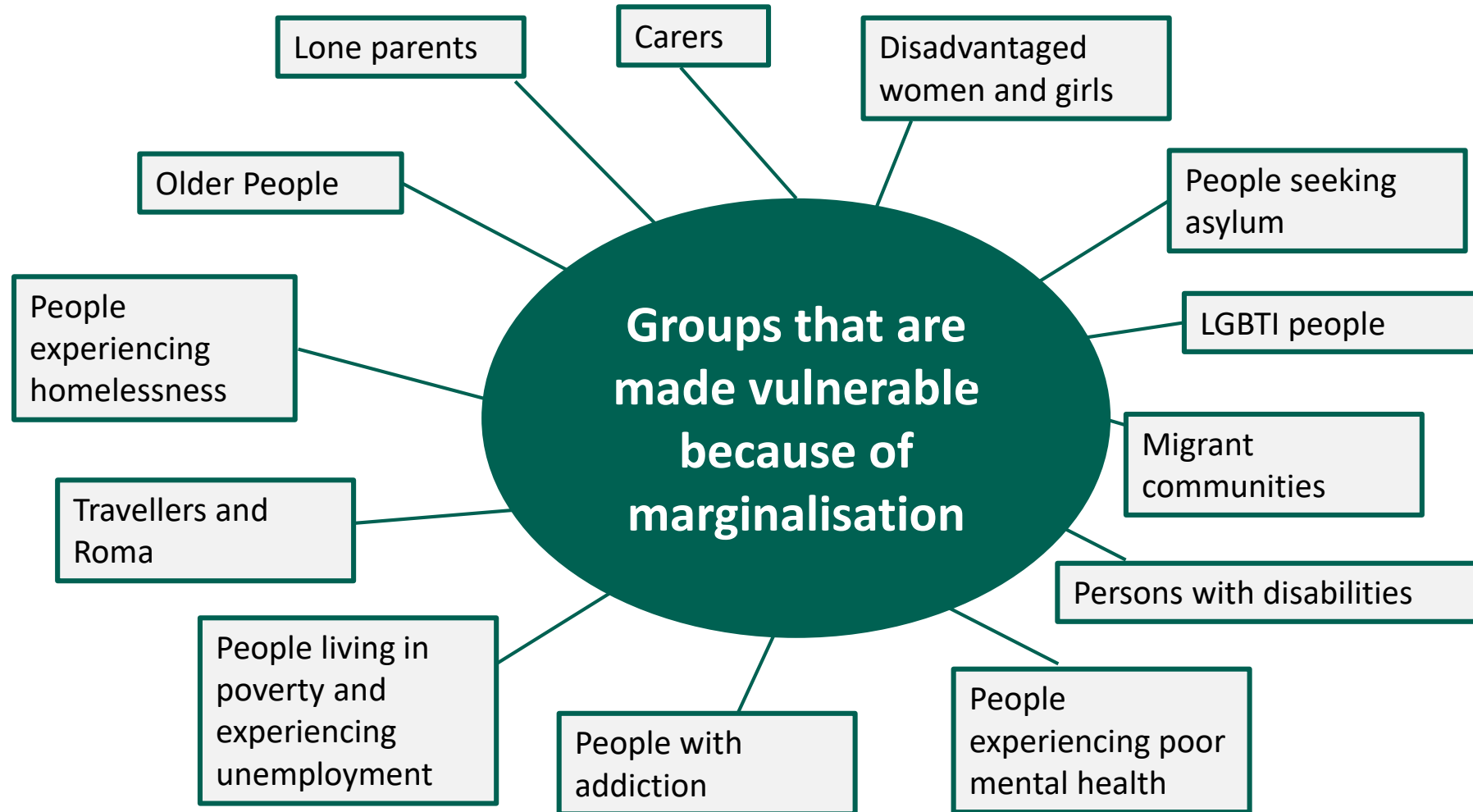


Reduce alcohol consumption and substance abuse



Public Health Reform and COVID-19

There are many marginalised communities within Ireland: this has been exposed by Covid-19
They need our particular attention





Child Health

Public Health Reform will deliver Consultant in Public Health Medicine leadership roles in key priority areas – for example Child Health

Purpose

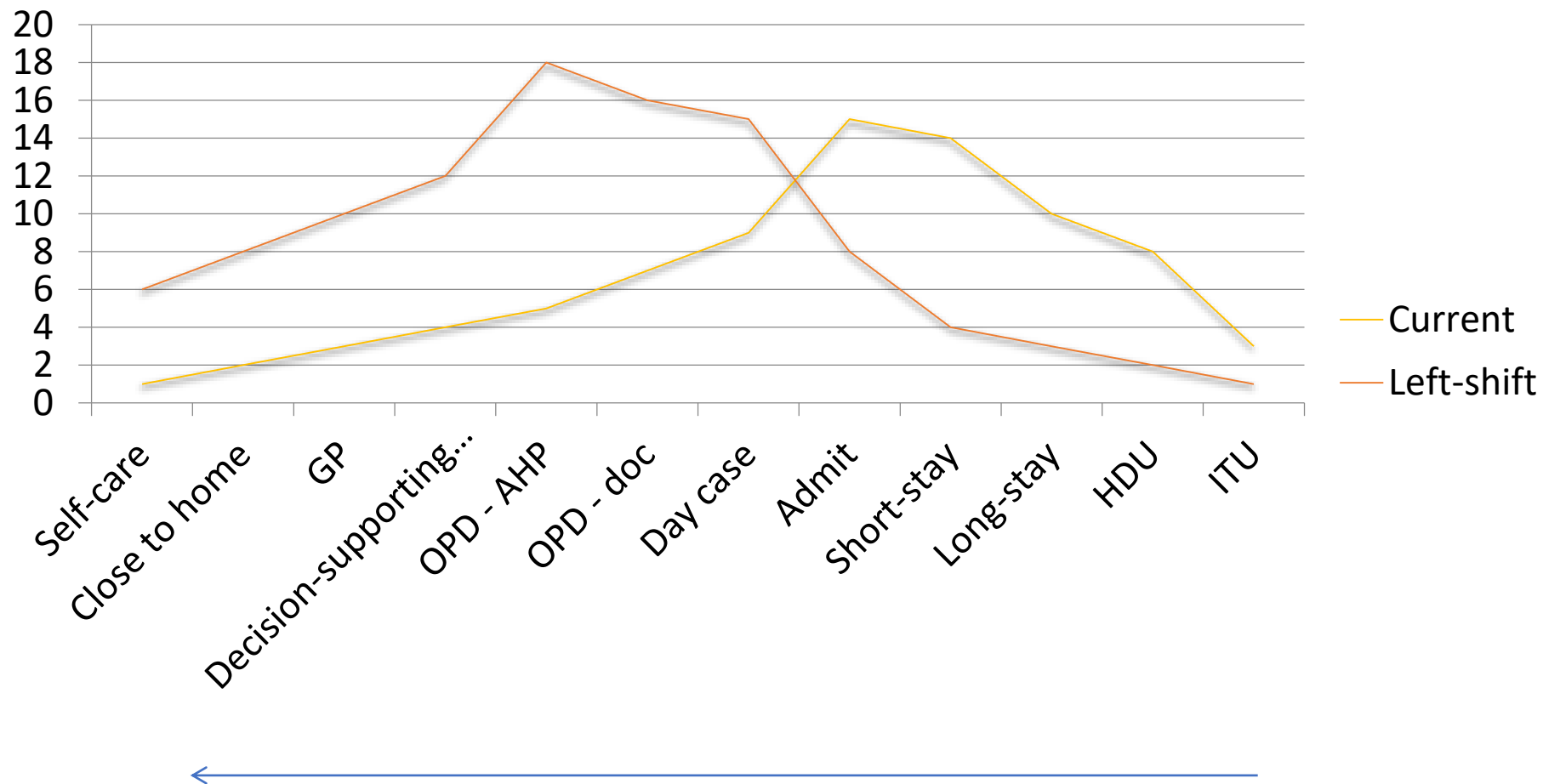


The purpose of the consultant in National Child Health is to be a representative of Public Health Medicine leadership for an important cohort of society, through supporting the following key priorities

- **Lead Child Health Service Improvement** across antenatal and postnatal care, immunisation programmes, Child Health screening, behavioural health and developmental surveillance
- Lead the **implementation and further development of the Framework** for the National Healthy Childhood Programme
- **Provide governance and oversight** for Childhood Screening and Surveillance programmes
- Work closely with the HSE Clinical Leads for Children (Paediatrics and Neonatology), NCAGL for Children and Young Adults and the National Women and Infants Health Programme (NWIHP) towards **achieving efficient integration of all child and adolescent services in the health service**
- **Actively work to address health inequalities** experienced by marginalised children and adolescents
- **Assume a cross-government, cross-agency and inter-disciplinary** approach to the development and delivery of Child Health services.



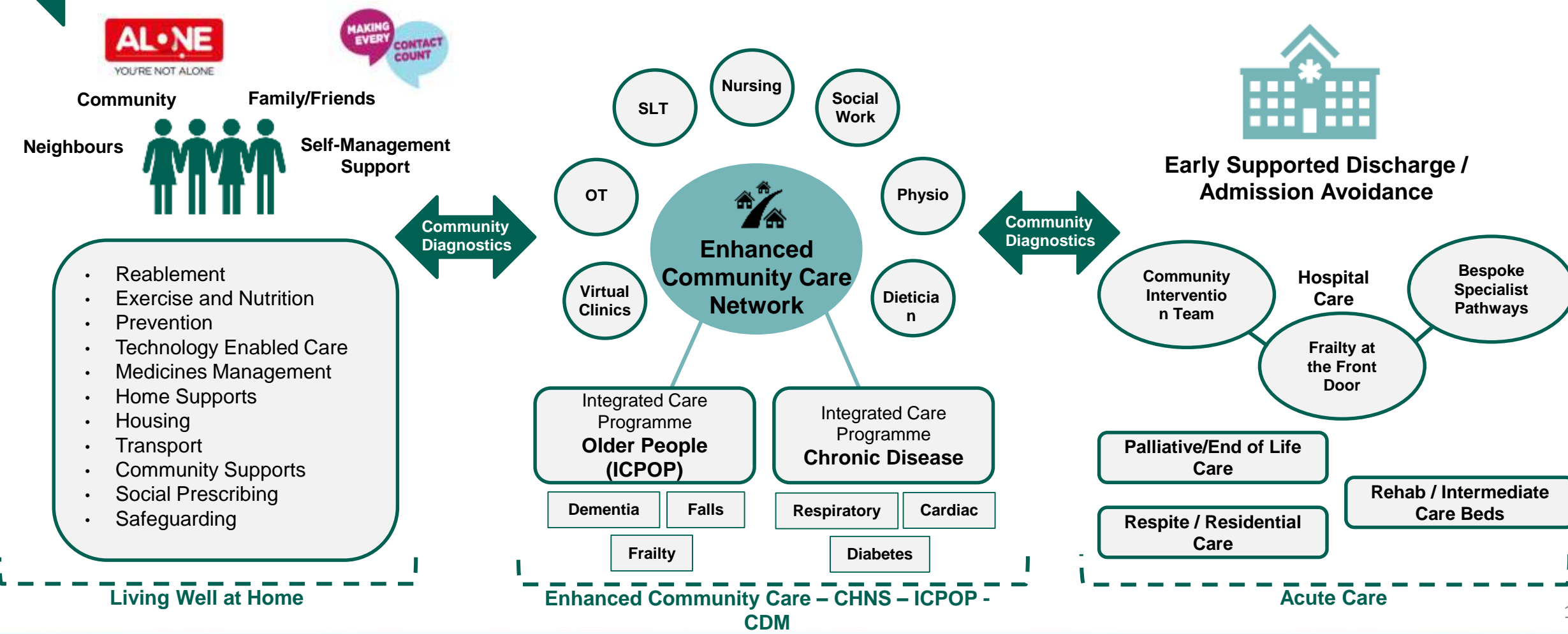
Established illness: Left-shift





Enhanced Community Care (ECC) Programme

An overview of components and success factors





Integrated Care Programme for the Prevention & Management of Chronic Disease

The infographic is divided into three main sections. The top-left section, on a yellow background, features an icon of five stylized human figures and the text 'Our population is ageing'. The top-right section, on an orange background, features a heart icon with a pulse line and the text '1.3 million people living with one of the following: CVD, COPD, diabetes, asthma'. The bottom section, on a red background, features a vertical stack of three icons: a heart with a pulse, a hand holding a heart, and a blue circle with a white dot, followed by the text 'ICPCD encompasses 3 programmes: Heart, Respiratory & Diabetes'.

Our population is ageing

1.3 million people
living with one of the following: CVD, COPD, diabetes, asthma

ICPCD
encompasses 3 programmes:
Heart, Respiratory & Diabetes

Objectives of the Integrated Care Programme for Chronic Disease (ICPCD)

- **Maximise prevention**
- **Enable people to optimise self-management of their condition(s)**
- **Support the provision of GP-led primary care**



Integrated Model of Care for the Prevention & Management of Chronic Disease

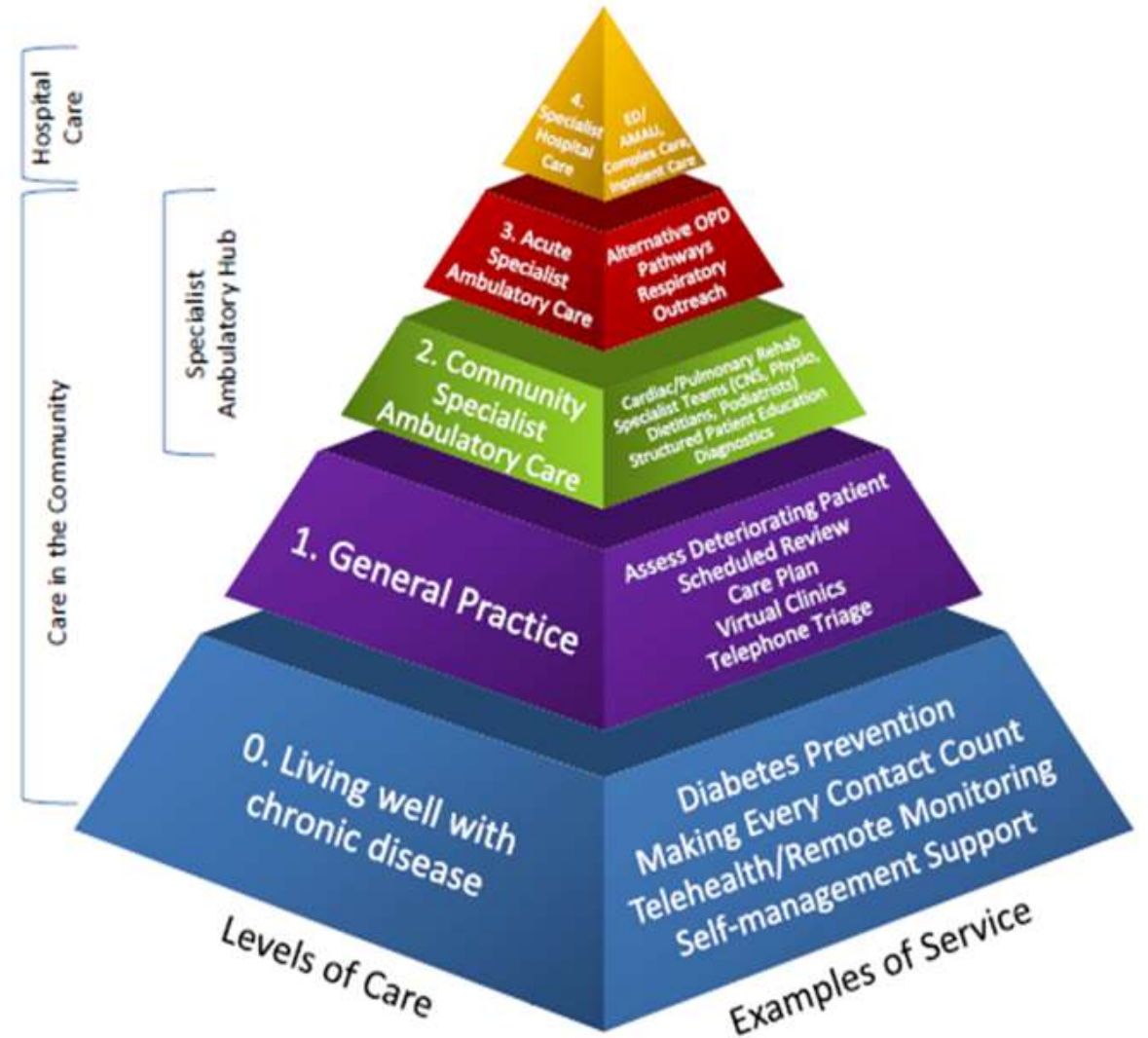
Five levels of care across community and hospital

Enabling GP-led primary care

Bulk of care provided in the community (Levels 0-3)

Aim is to provide “end-to-end” care for individuals living with chronic disease and multimorbidity in the community

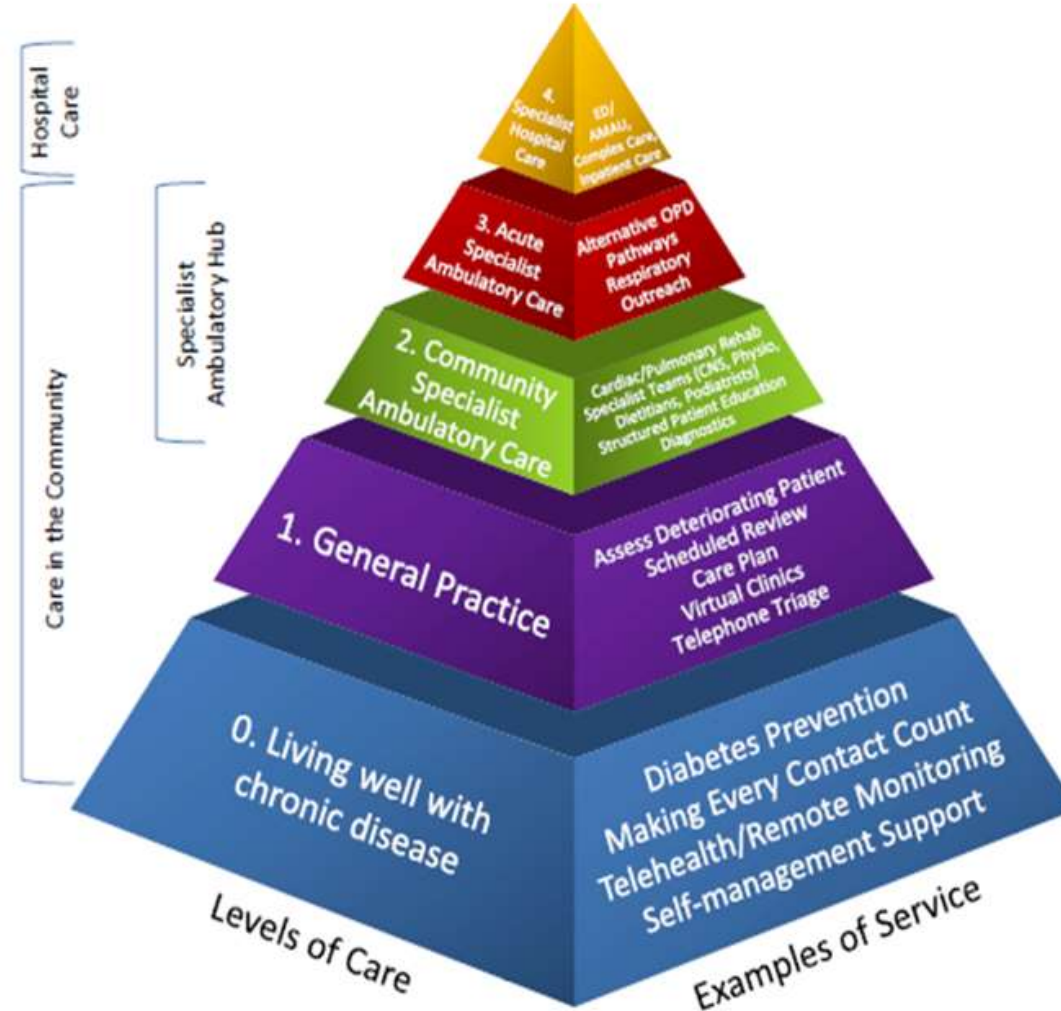
Focus on **prevention, early detection & proactive management** of chronic disease





Chronic Disease Community Specialist Teams & primary & secondary prevention

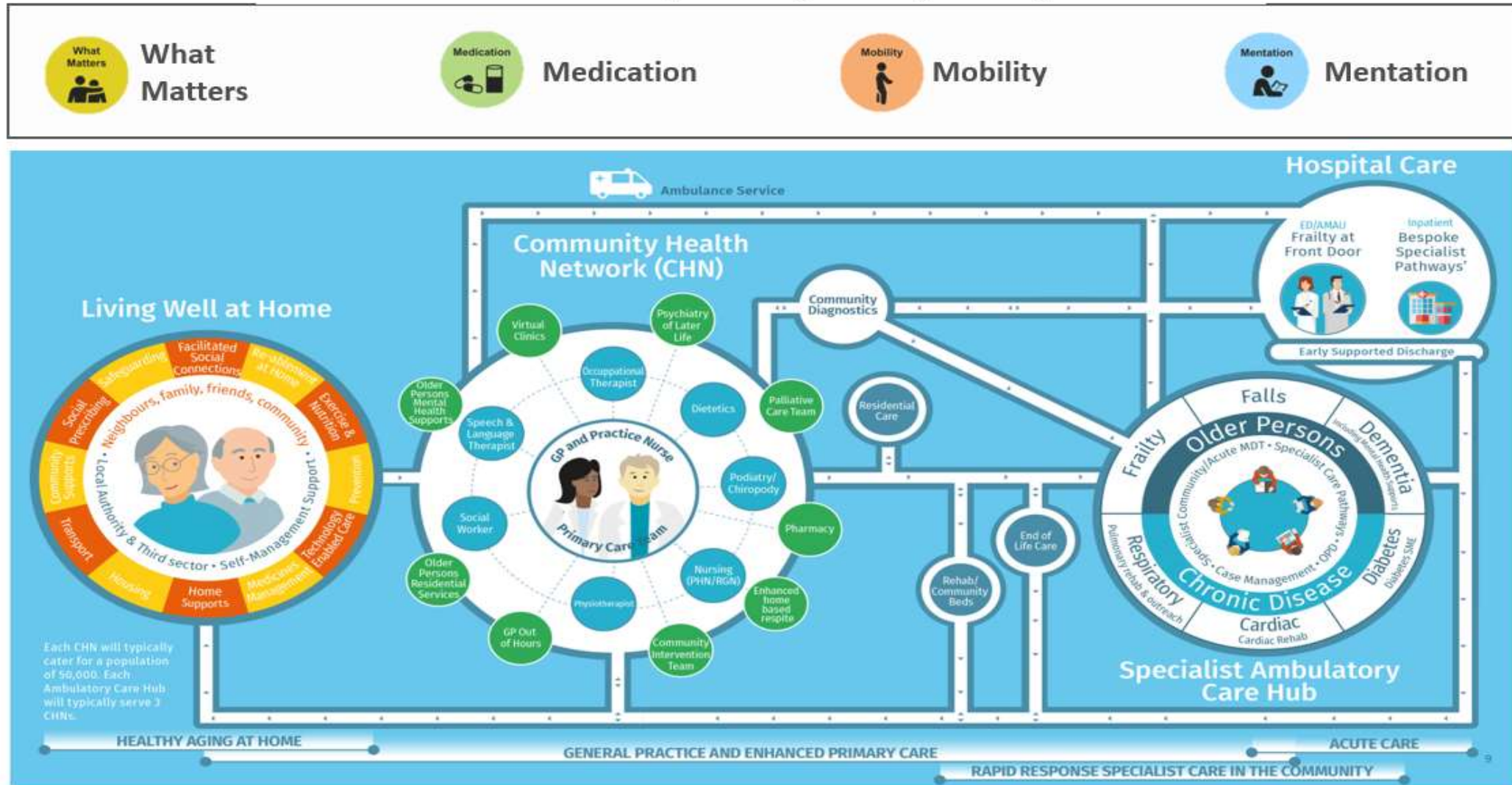
- 30 cardiac & pulmonary rehab teams
- 30 teams with CD specialist MDT members aligned to 25 hospitals
 - Weight management
 - Diabetes prevention
 - Diabetes SME
- Health promotion & smoking cessation staff in each hub
- MDT approach, multi-specialty approach
- Underpinned throughout by Making Every Contact Count & Self-Management Support Frameworks





What we are building: Older Person Integrated Health System?

4M's Framework - Delivering an Irish Age Friendly Health System Model





Structured Chronic Disease Management Programme in General Practice

Treatment Programme

- Selected conditions
- Two scheduled reviews per annum
- Physical exam & specific blood tests
- Medication review
- Joint care plan
- Self-management support
- Appropriate referral

Opportunistic Case Finding Programme

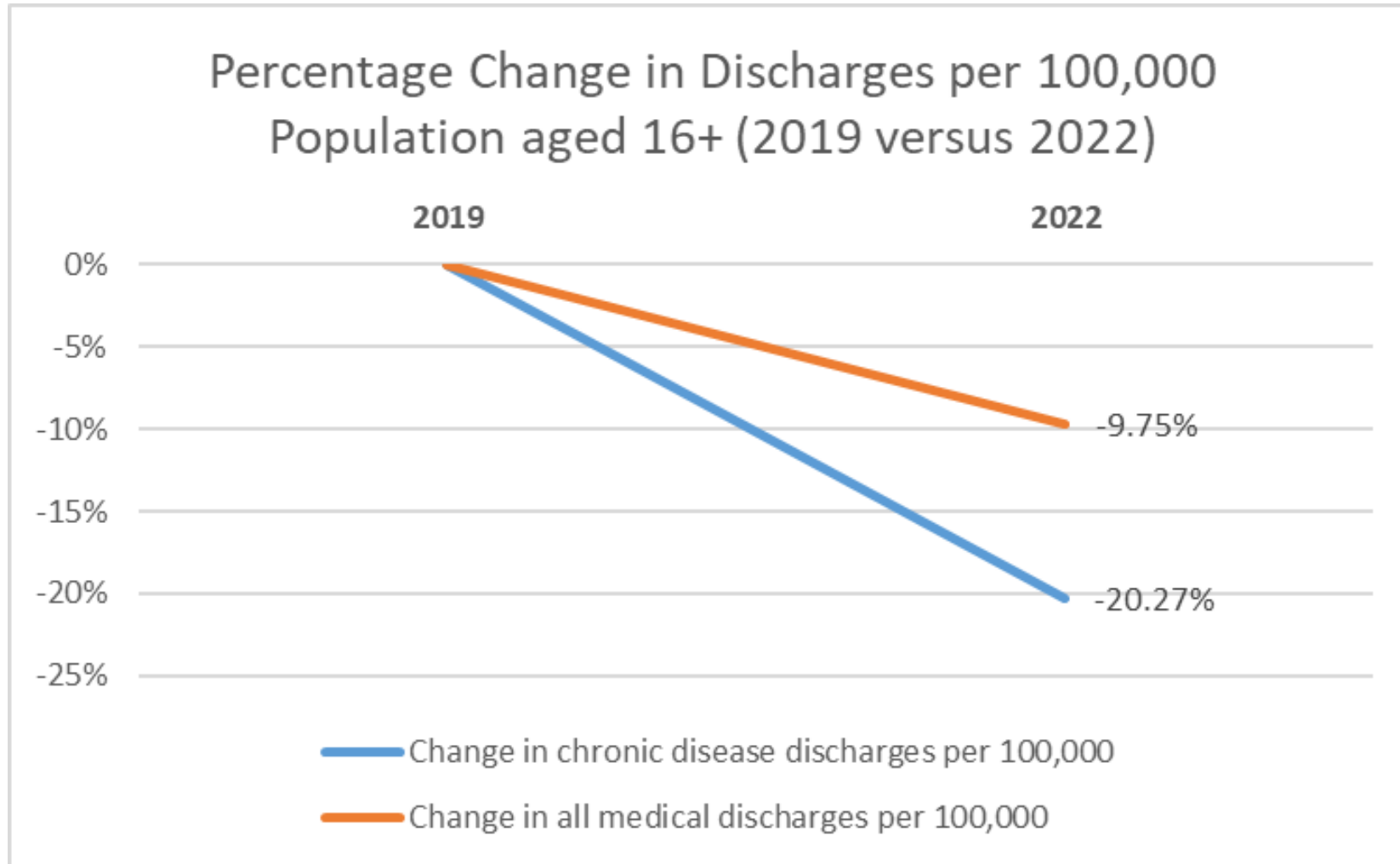
- GP notes risk factors pertinent to CD
- OCF assessment: physical exam & blood tests
- Outcome:
 - NAD: OCF in 5yrs
 - High risk: Prevention Programme
 - New diagnosis: Treatment Programme

Prevention Programme

- Definition of “High risk”
- One scheduled visit per annum
- Physical exam & specific blood tests
- Medication review
- Joint care plan
- Self-management support
- Appropriate referral



Early trends: Changes in Acute Hospital Utilisation





Making Every Contact Count



- Key objective - Chronic disease prevention
- Aim: Interventions become part of routine clinical care.
- Health professionals recognise the role and opportunities they have through daily interactions with patients in supporting them to make health behaviour changes.
- Healthier choices: smoking, alcohol and drug use, physical activity and healthy eating.

80% of GP consultations & 60% of hospital bed days are related to chronic diseases



Taking the opportunity



There are many significant opportunities in our health services to raise the issue of lifestyle behaviour change through a brief intervention*. For example there are:

- 14 million contacts each year with GP services
- 5 million Public Health Nursing contacts
- 1.3 million dental visits
- 1.2 million seen in emergency departments
- 20 million prescriptions filled.

Lots of opportunity to Make these contacts count



It is popular to say otherwise, but the truth is that our health system is getting better

Sarah Carey



Liam Killeen with Dr Suzanne Kelly at The Grove Medical Centre in Ballincollig, Co Cork

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Health Ireland Framework Plan – Goals 2023 - 2027

Goals

- 1 Increase the proportion of people who are healthy at all stages of life
- 2 Reduce health inequalities
- 3 Protect the public from threats to health and wellbeing
- 4 Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in achieving a *Healthy Ireland*

