Summary of service provider complaint report

Peninsula Health

2022-23



Introduction

Purpose

The purpose of this summary presentation is to showcase key data for complaints to the MHCC and complaints and compliments directly to your service, largely focusing on the 2022-23 reporting year.

This summary outlines a range of complaints and compliments statistics, including who complainants are, what issues are raised, and how the complaints are resolved.

Interpreting the data

Caution should be used when drawing conclusions from relative numbers of complaints reported by services.

High numbers of complaints reported by services may represent effective complaints reporting processes, a positive complaints culture and/or demonstrate high numbers of issues experienced by people who use the service.

Conversely, low numbers of complaints may indicate issues with the recording of complaints or the service's approach to complaints, or a high level of satisfaction with the service.

Complaints represent people's experience, and a sign of a positive complaints culture would be higher numbers of complaints to services and lower number of complaints to the MHCC, reflecting that people feel confident to raise their concerns with the service.



The role of the MHCC

the MHCC collates and analyses complaints data about public mental health services to:



identify key themes and emerging issues across the sector



gain insights into the concerns/experiences of consumers, families and carers



increase awareness of systemic issues and improvement opportunities



understand the status of complaint processes and reporting across the sector



inform our projects and recommendations





Number of complaints and compliments



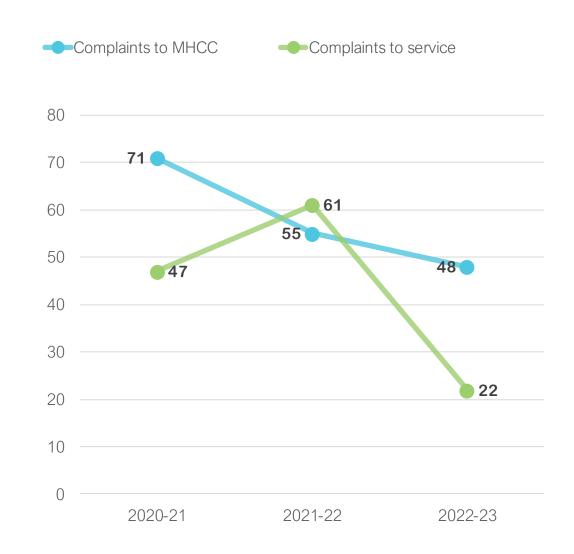
How many complaints were made? 2022-23

Number of complaints

48
Complaints to the MHCC about Peninsula Health

22Complaints to
Peninsula Health

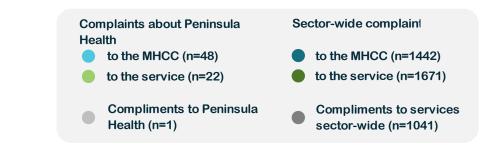
- The number of complaints made to the MHCC about Peninsula Health decreased by a small margin from 2021-22 to 2022-23, while the number of complaints made directly to the service decreased markedly.
- Having been slightly higher in 2021-22, the number of complaints made directly to the service was much lower than the number of complaints made to the MHCC about the service in 2022-23.

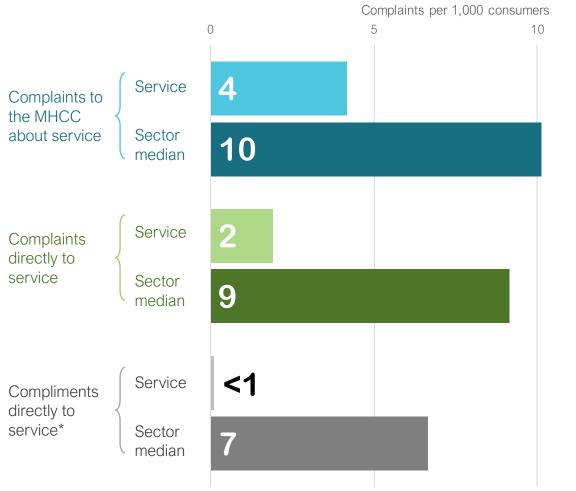




Complaint and compliment rates 2022-23

- Sector medians instead of averages are shown, as the majority of services have relatively lower rates of complaints and compliments, with fewer services having higher rates of complaints and compliments. Half of all services have complaint and compliment rates below the sector median.
- Both the rate of complaints received by the MHCC about Peninsula Health and the rate of complaints directly to the service were significantly lower than the sector median n 2022-23. The rate of complaints about Peninsula Health was notably lower than that recorded last year.
- The rate of compliments made directly to the service was lower than the sector median.





^{*}Note: not all services reported compliments, and services likely used different approaches to capture compliments data

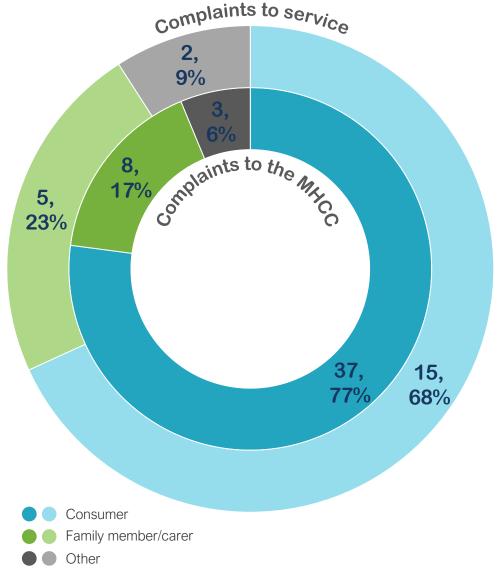


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Who is making complaints? 2022-23

Complaints raised about Peninsula Health

- Consumers made the majority of complaints to the MHCC about Peninsula Health, as well as directly to the service itself.
- In contrast, family members / carers made just 17% of all complaints to the MHCC about Peninsula Health (26%) and just under a quarter of all complaints directly to the service (23%).



Note: this graphic does not include complaints where the complainant status was unknown





Issues raised in complaint



How does the MHCC categorise issues?

the MHCC uses three levels of issue categories to classify complaints.

Level 1



- treatment
- communication
- conduct and behaviour
- medication
- diagnosis
- access
- facilities
- records
- complaint management

Level 2

Level 2 issues break down Level 1 issues into more specific categories.

For example, the Level 1 category Medication includes the following Level 2 issues:

- medication error
- disagreement with medication
- oversedation or side effects
- refusals to prescribe

Level 3



Level 3 issues further break down Level 2 issues.

For example, the Level 2 category Medication Error includes the following Level 3 issues:

- wrong medication or dose
- wrong prescription
- known allergy/reaction not considered



What were complaints about? 2022-23

Complaints about Peninsula Health to the MHCC (n=48)

to the service (n=22)

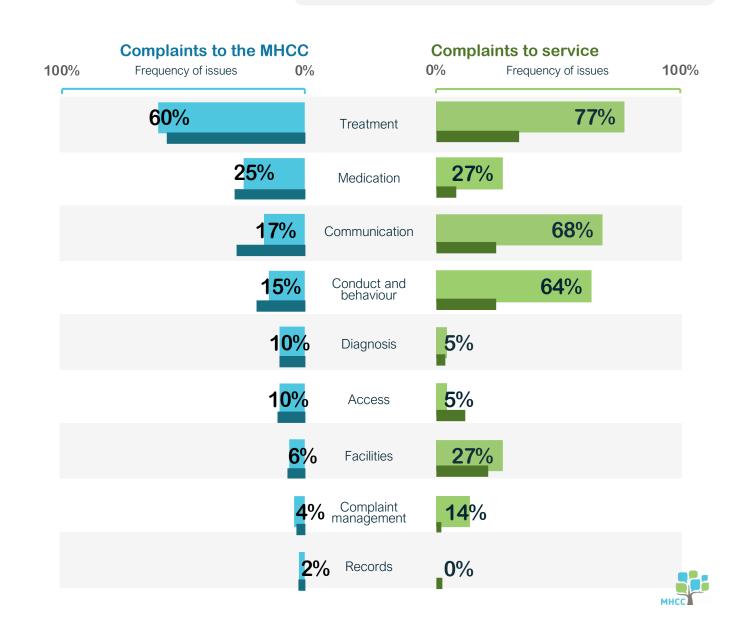
to the MHCC (n=1442)

Sector-wide complaints

to the service (n=1671)

Level 1 issues raised about Peninsula Health

- The complaints shown on this page consist of all those made by consumers, family members / carers and any other persons.
- Issues raised in complaints to the MHCC about Peninsula Health were consistent with those raised in complaints to the MHCC for the sector, with Treatment, Communication and Medication being commonly raised issues.
- Issues raised in complaints made directly to the service commonly related to Treatment, Conduct & behaviour and Communication. These three issues each occurred in a higher frequency than that recorded across the sector.

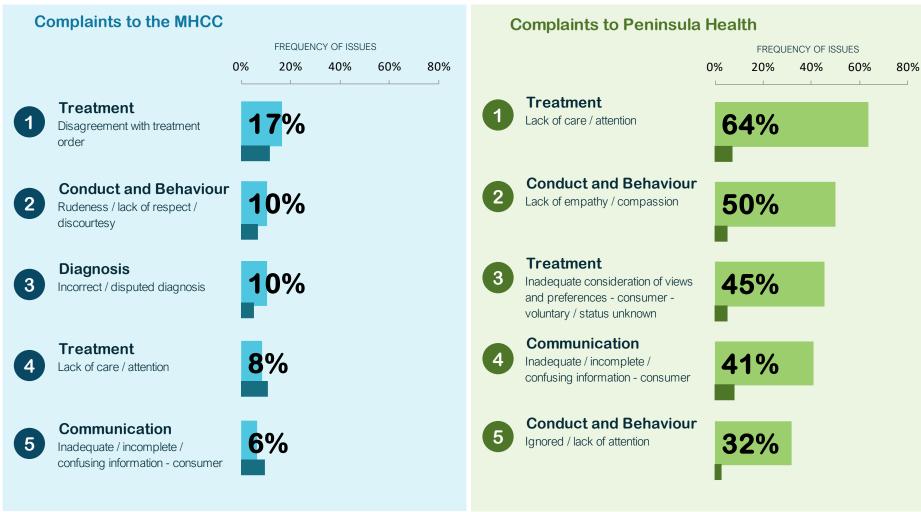


What were complaints about? 2022-23

Complaints about Peninsula Sector-wide complaints Health to the MHCC (n=48) to the MHCC (n=1442) to the service (n=22) to the service (n=1671)

Most frequent Level 3 issues raised about Peninsula Health

- The issues most frequently raised in complaints made to the MHCC about Peninsula Health were disagreements with treatment orders, rudeness / lack of respect / discourtesy, and incorrect / disputed diagnoses.
- The issues occurring most frequently in complaints made directly to Peninsula Health were lack of care / attention, lack of empathy / compassion, and inadequate consideration of views and preferences.





Issues raised by consumers 2022-23

Most frequent Level 3 issues raised about Peninsula Health

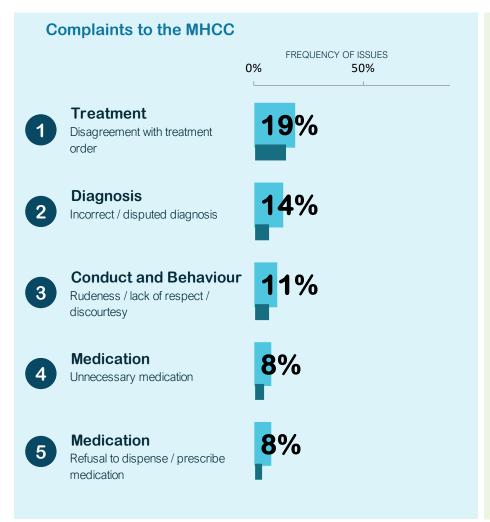
 Disagreement with treatment orders, incorrect / disputed diagnosis, and rudeness / lack of respect / discourtesy were the commonly mentioned issues in complaints

made by consumers to

the MHCC about

Peninsula Health.

 Treatment and Conduct & Behaviour related concerns were commonly mentioned in complaints made by consumers directly to Peninsula Health. These included a lack of care / attention, lack of empathy / compassion, and inadequate consideration of views and preferences.





40%

Sector-wide complaints

to the MHCC (n=1074)

Complaints about Peninsula

to the MHCC (n=37)

Conduct and Behaviour

Ignored / lack of attention

Health



Issues raised by carers 2022-23

Most frequent Level 3 issues raised about Peninsula Health

- The issues most frequently occurring in complaints made by carers to the MHCC about Peninsula Health related to inadequate / misleading / confusing information, and lack or insufficient access to service.
- The most frequently occurring issues in complaints made by carers directly to the service related to a lack of communication, misleading / confusing communication, and a lack of care / attention.





Sector-wide complaints

to the MHCC (n=320)
to the service (n=380)

Complaints about Peninsula

to the MHCC (n=8)

to the service (n=5)

Health





Outcomes of complaints

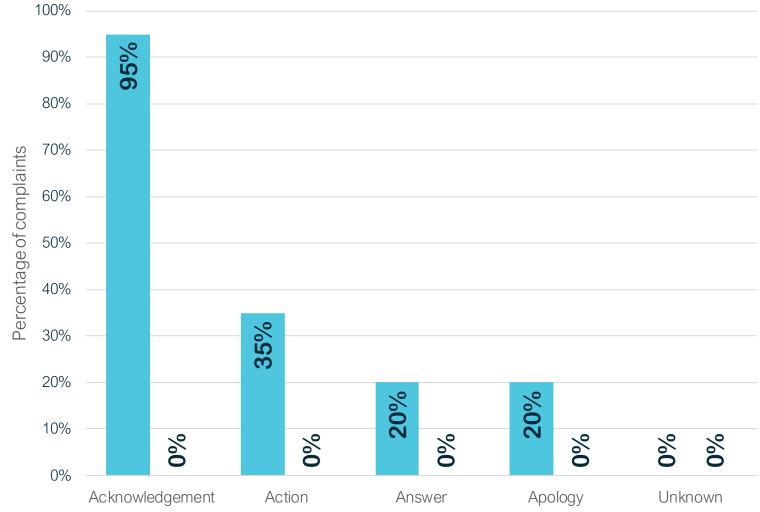


What were the outcomes of complaints? 2022-23

Closed complaints about Peninsula Health

- Outcomes of complaints are framed in terms of the '4 A's' of complaint resolution acknowledgement, action, answers and apology.
- This chart only includes complaints to the MHCC about Peninsula Health that were assessed as being in scope for resolution or having a known service outcome. The most common outcome for these complaints was acknowledgement of the issue(s) raised by the complainant followed by a responsive action.

- Complaints to MHCC about service with outcomes by service (n=20)
- Complaints to service with outcomes by service (n=0)

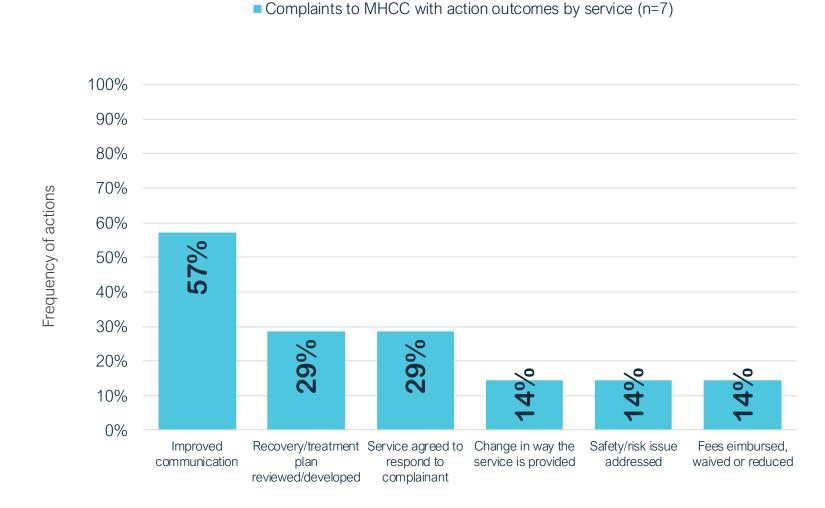




What actions were taken by the service? 2022-23

Top specific actions taken by service in response to complaints to the MHCC

- Actions most frequently undertaken by Peninsula Health in response to complaints to the MHCC included:
 - improving communication
 - recovery / treatment plan reviewed and developed
 - responding to the complainant directly







Themes in compliments



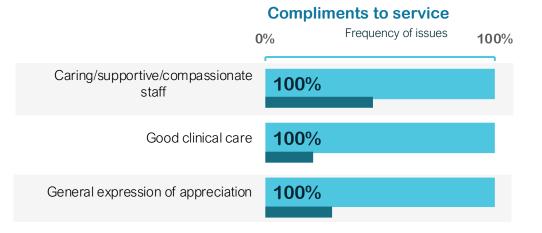
What were compliments about? 2022-23

Compliments to Peninsula Health (n=1)

Compliments to services sector-wide (n=1041)

Issues raised in compliments about Peninsula Health

Caring / supportive / compassionate staff, good clinical care and general expressions of appreciation were mentioned in the one compliment received by Peninsula Health.





Key points to consider



Complaint numbers

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Outcomes

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- The most common action undertaken by Peninsula Health in response to complaints to the MHCC was improving communication.

