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If you are worried or something is very urgent please call your GP or visit the hospital emergency department.

In an emergency situation, please call ooo.



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## Nurse Navigator Service

A guide for patients and families of the Townsville Hospital and Health Service



## **Nurse Navigator role**

A Nurse Navigator is a nurse with knowledge and understanding of the healthcare system.

Your healthcare can be like a jigsaw puzzle and you can often feel as if there are pieces of the puzzle missing.

Care Coordination

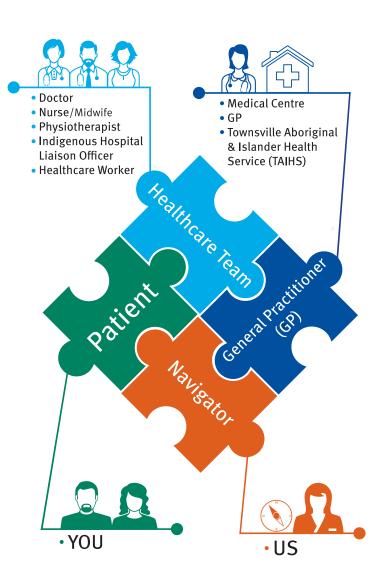
Creating Partnerships

Improving Patient Outcomes

Facilitating System Improvements

The Nurse Navigator can work with you to bring all of the pieces of your healthcare puzzle together.

The Nurse Navigator can work with you and your family/caregivers as well as your General Practitioner (GP) to make a plan of your healthcare picture.





## **Navigator Service**

When the Nurse Navigator meets with you, they will talk to you to find out how we can help you.

- Do you have a chronic condition, for example diabetes or asthma/ emphysema?
- Do you find it difficult to understand your illness?
- Do you have lots of tests and appointments, what are they for?
- Would it help you to have someone you can call?

The Nurse Navigator can make a plan with you to fit all pieces of the puzzle together and help you to look after yourself at home.