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How a digital front door is supporting the Victorian Virtual Emergency Department

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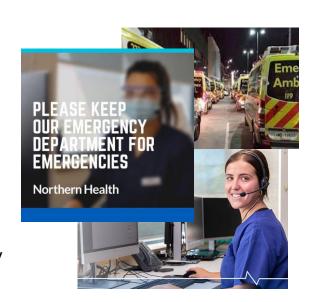


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Introducing the Victorian Virtual Emergency Department (VVED)

- Northern Health operates Melbourne's busiest emergency department (ED), treating >110,000 patients annually.
- Northern Health piloted Australia's first Virtual ED in October 2020.
- Need for a more scalable, secure and configurable digital front door.
- Expanded statewide in 2022 (to become the VVED) and made freely available to anyone in Victoria, 24/7.



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Enabling digital-first access to non-critical emergency care

- The VVED provides an alternative pathway for people to access noncritical emergency care on their own devices, from home.
- Northern Health partnered with The Clinician to deliver this solution.



Key requirements of the new digital front door solution

Accessible, multilingual patient app

A scalable solution for increasing patient numbers

Improved user experiences

Customisable patient pathways

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Co-designing VVED pathways

- In less than 8 weeks, The Clinician team worked with Northern Health to develop and deploy a pathway for patients to self-register for the Victorian Virtual ED.
- The VVED has since expanded to multiple healthcare services across the state.

Patient Self-Registration



Ambulance Victoria



(paramedics, non-emergency transport, triage services, first responders)

Community care



(residential aged care, GP, COVID pathway teams, Nurse on Call)

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Co-designing VVED pathways

"They (The Clinician) have taken the time to understand the problem and have produced a bespoke product that has exceeded our expectations in both quality and timely delivery."

Dr Loren Sher - Director of the VVED



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How the VVED works



Patients placed in triage queue and connected with nurse via telehealth



Patients directed to appropriate health services

Information flows to clinical registration dashboard

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Scalable & Secure

Multilingual & Accessible

Customisable & Adaptable

"With ZEDOC by The Clinician, our staff can work during lockdowns. They can continue to participate in the workforce and deliver care to the community virtually."

Richard Nasra - Director of Operations, VVED

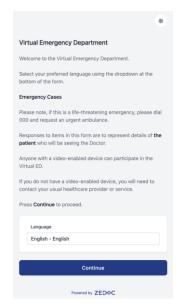




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Enhancing access and equity

- The service is enabling remote communities to access high quality care virtually
- The VVED is available in 22 languages
- Through the screening assessment, patients can request an interpreter
- Capturing social determinants of health, such as homelessness to enable appropriate care





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What are the results?

1000%

increase in daily patient volume from 50 to 500

>750

clerical and clinical staff have accessed ZEDOC since inception 15 - 30 min

average wait time to be seen via telehealth

>130,000

patients registered through ZEDOC since April, 2022 70%

ED diversion rate

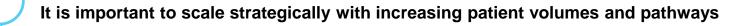
↓50% aged care transfers ↓70-80% for adults ↓80-90% for paediatrics

34,000

Ambulance Victoria Crews

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What have been the key learnings?



A partnership-led approach is crucial for ensuring that workflows support clinical teams properly

Adaptability is crucial.



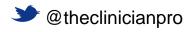
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