



## **An ACI approach to investigating clinical variation in the acute care of people with:**

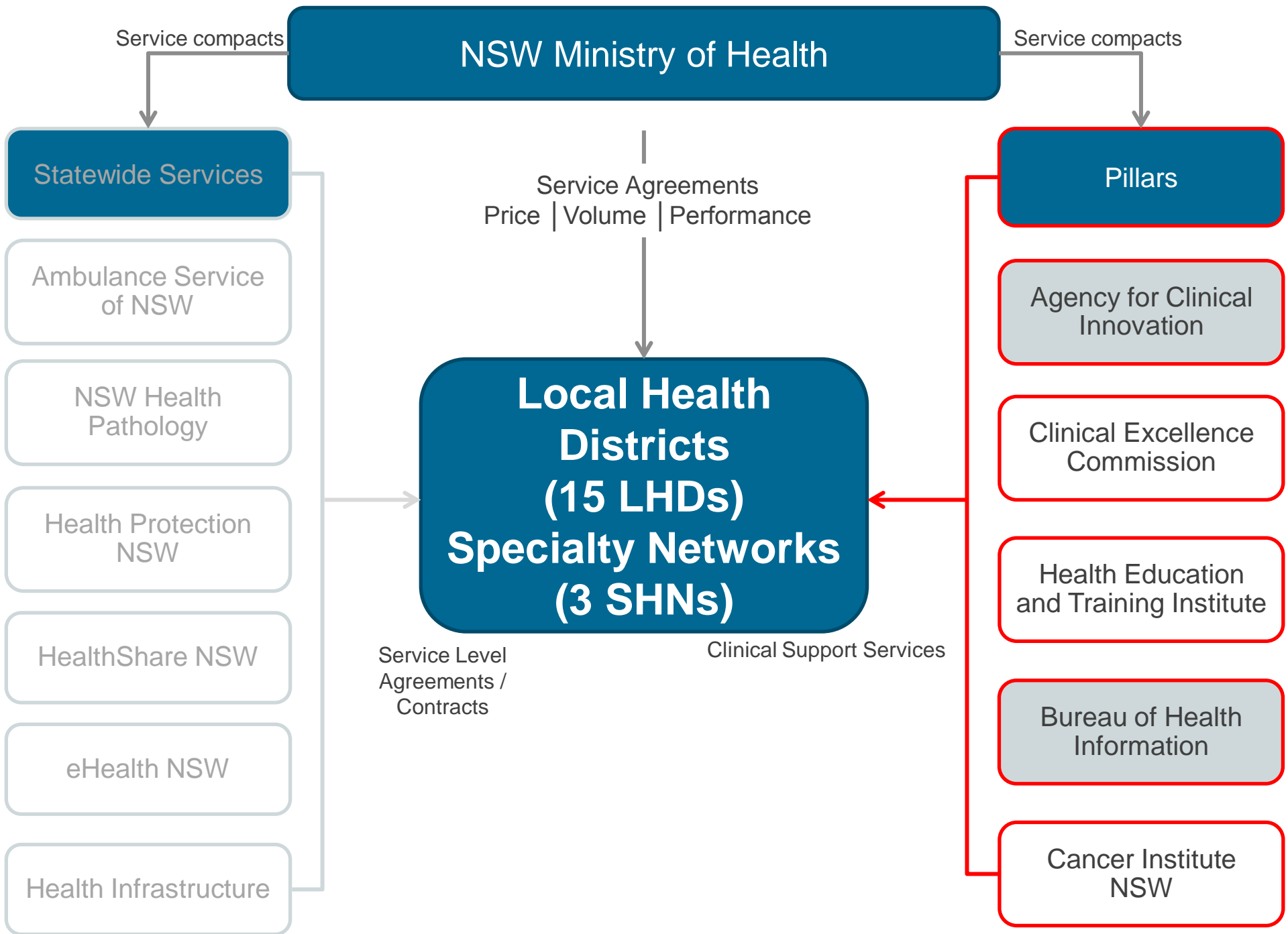
*Chronic Heart Failure | Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease |  
Community Acquired Pneumonia*

### **Presentation to Whole of Health Program**

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# Acute Care



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- Unwarranted Clinical Variation\*  
- NSW Diabetes Taskforce\*\*

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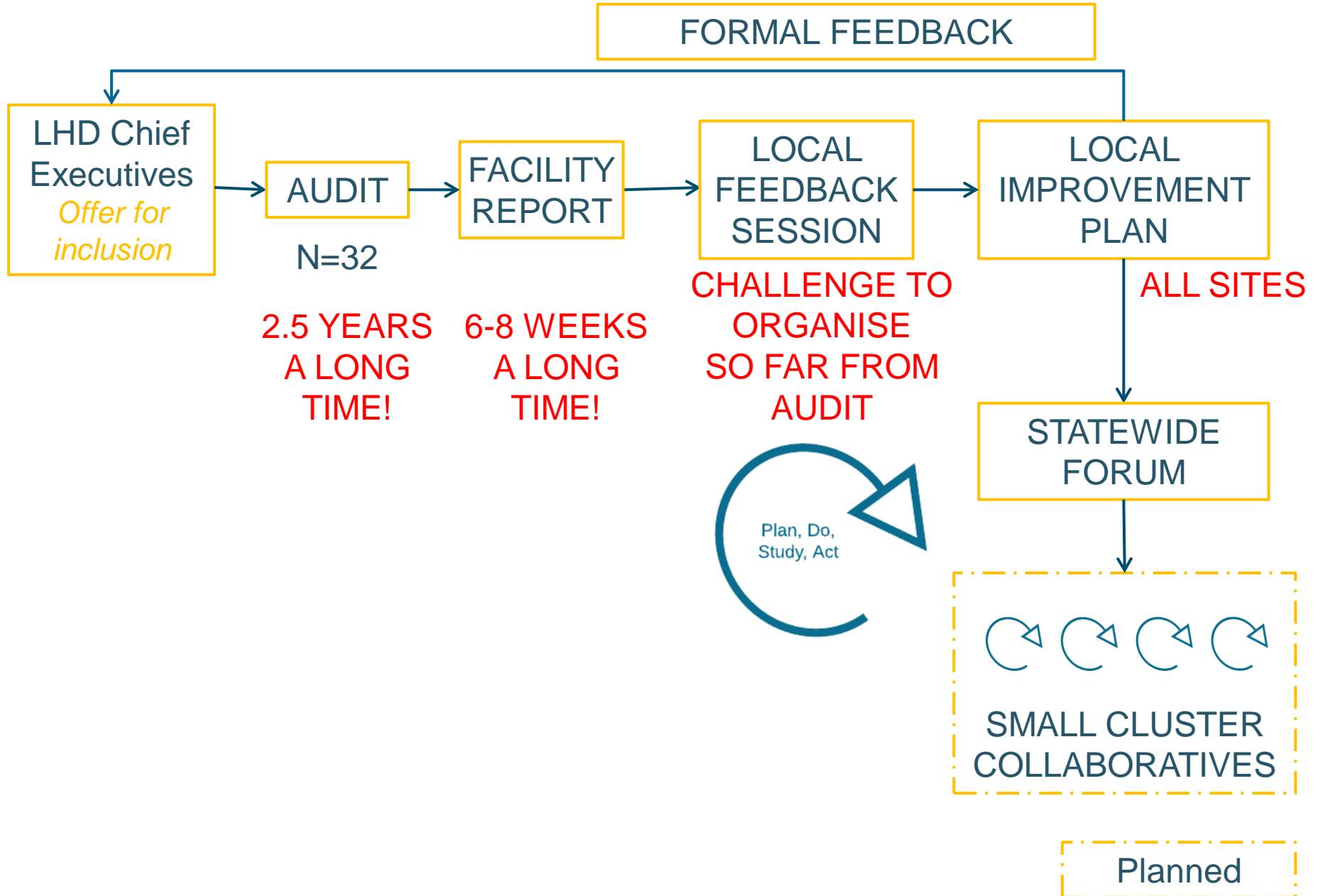
**Stroke**  
*Kate Jackson*

# ACI Reducing UCV Taskforce

- Co-chaired by Professors Brian McCaughan and Jacquie Close
- Senior clinicians from a number of disciplines (Orthopaedics, Respiratory, General Medicine, Rheumatology, Colorectal, Ophthalmology, Anaesthetics, Geriatrics)
- Surgical Services Taskforce representative
- Nursing & Allied Health
- 2 LHD Chief Executives
- Consumer representative (Peak Body)
- Deputy Secretaries
- Analysts & ABF Taskforce
- Pillars (CEC , BHI)

# Why address UCV

- Positive outcomes can be achieved if clinicians “own” the data and drive changes
- Data needs to be understood by the broader system including LHD managers
- Important to examine what is working well – **not all variation is unwarranted**
- Improve patient experience, health and ensure service delivery is efficient and effective
- Populations are variable.... cultural and geographical issues need to be taken into account



# An approach for Inpatient Care

- Partnership LHD/SHNs and ACI/BHI other pillars
- Extensive consultation and refinement
  - Learnings from last experience
  - ACI LHD Connect Forum
  - ACI Co-chairs Forum
  - Senior Executive Forum (LHD/Pillar CEs)
  - Clinical leadership/expertise from networks
- Shared resourcing





## Update of BHI report

- COPD
- CAP
- Congestive Heart Failure
- Acute Myocardial Infarction
- Ischaemic Stroke
- Hip Fracture

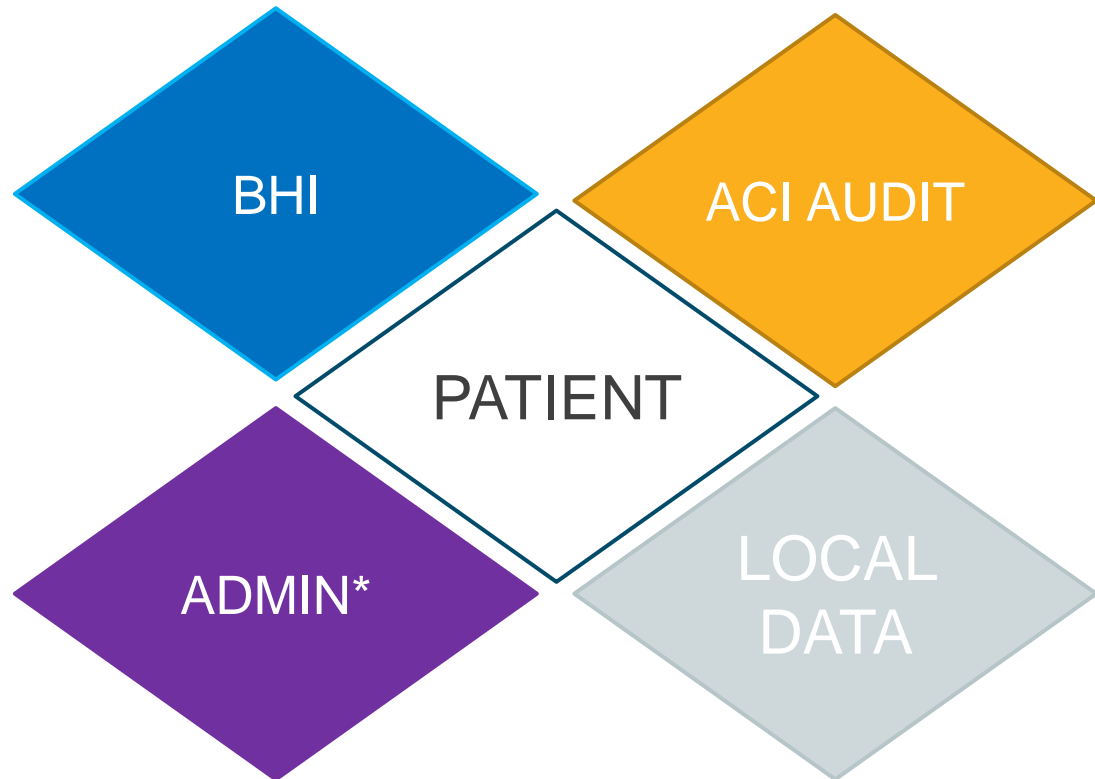


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*...variation that cannot be explained by the condition or the preference of the patient; it is variation that can only be explained by differences **in health system performance** (ACSQHC)*

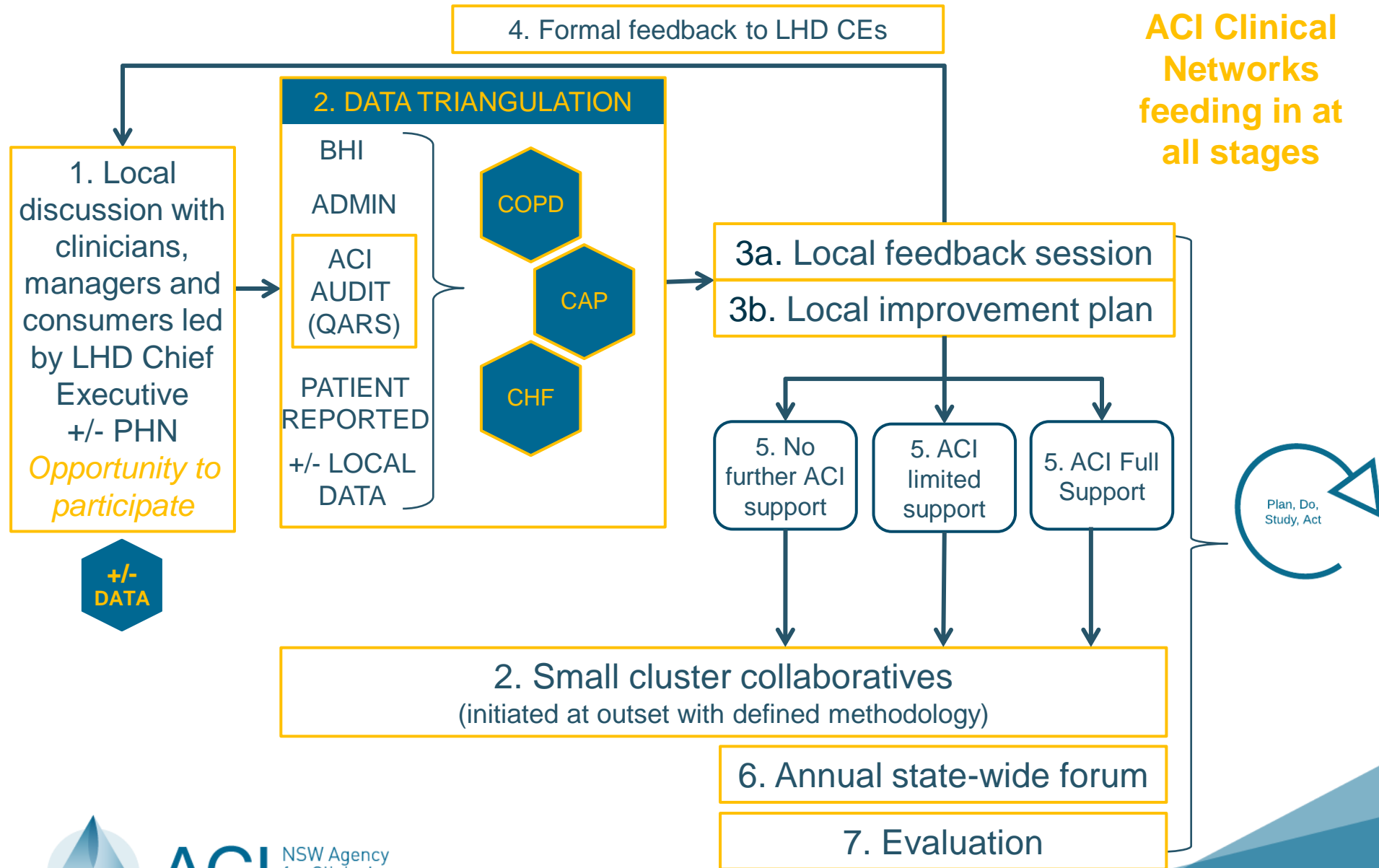


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\* Analysed by the ACI Health Economics and Evaluation Team

# INVESTIGATING CLINICAL VARIATION

ACI Clinical Networks feeding in at all stages



# Timeline: UCV COPD, CAP, CHF

- Dec 16: ACI to write to LHD/SHN Chief Executives
- Jan 17: ACI to commence working with local teams
- Feb 17: BHI report released (mortality and returns to acute care)