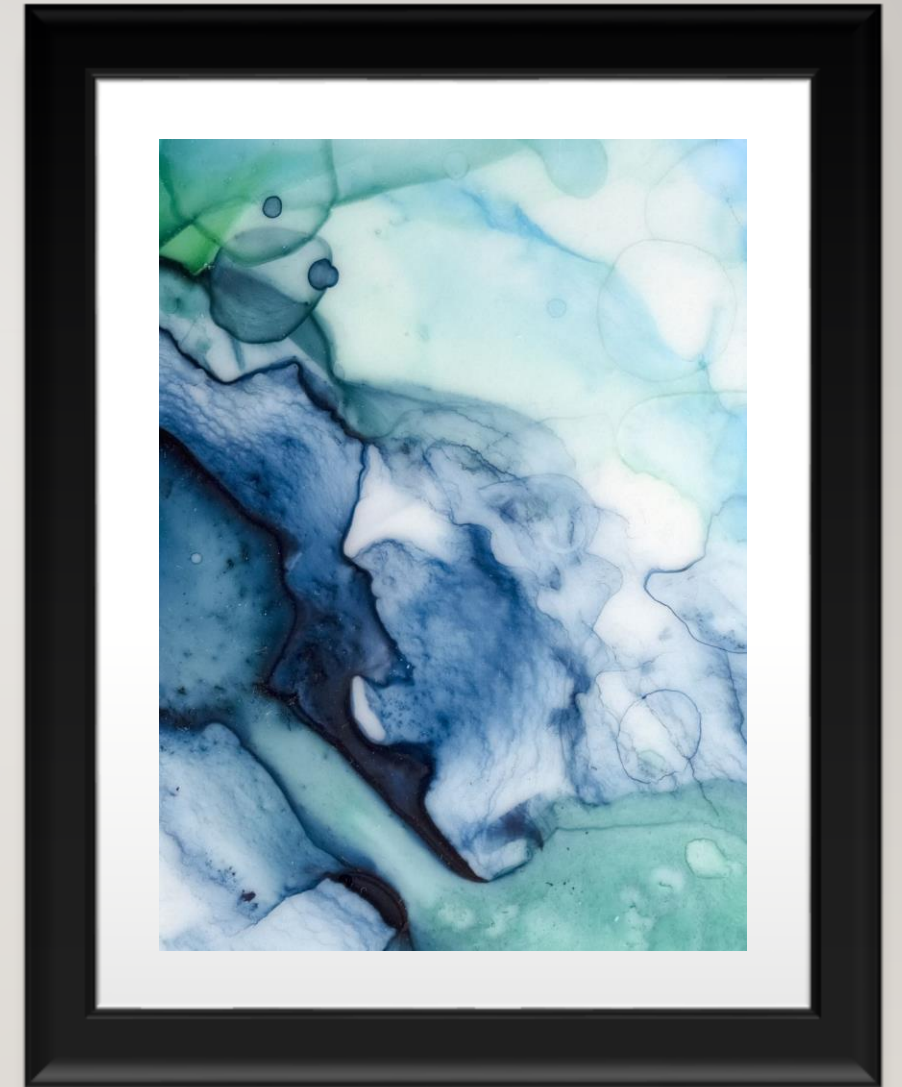
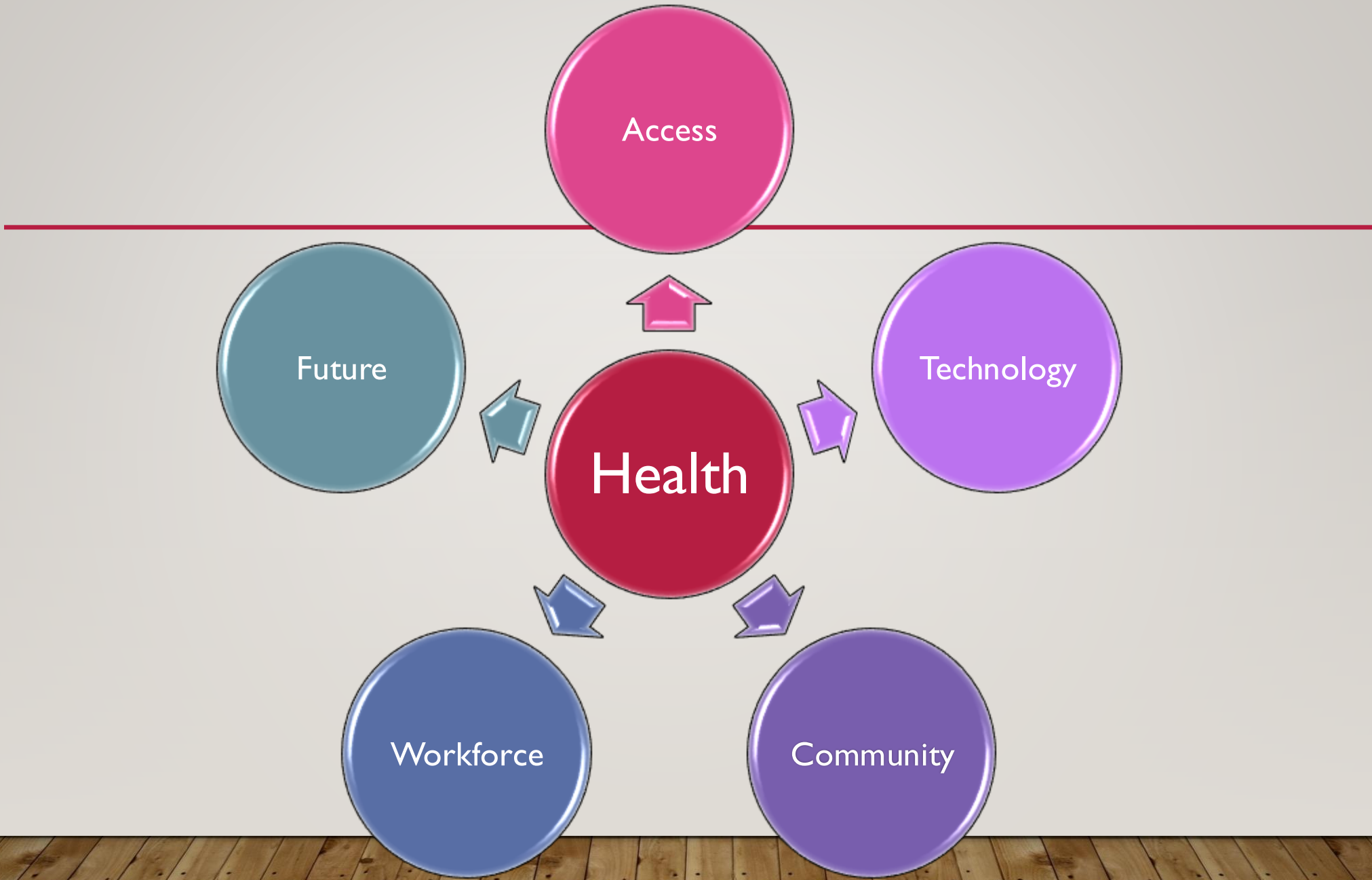


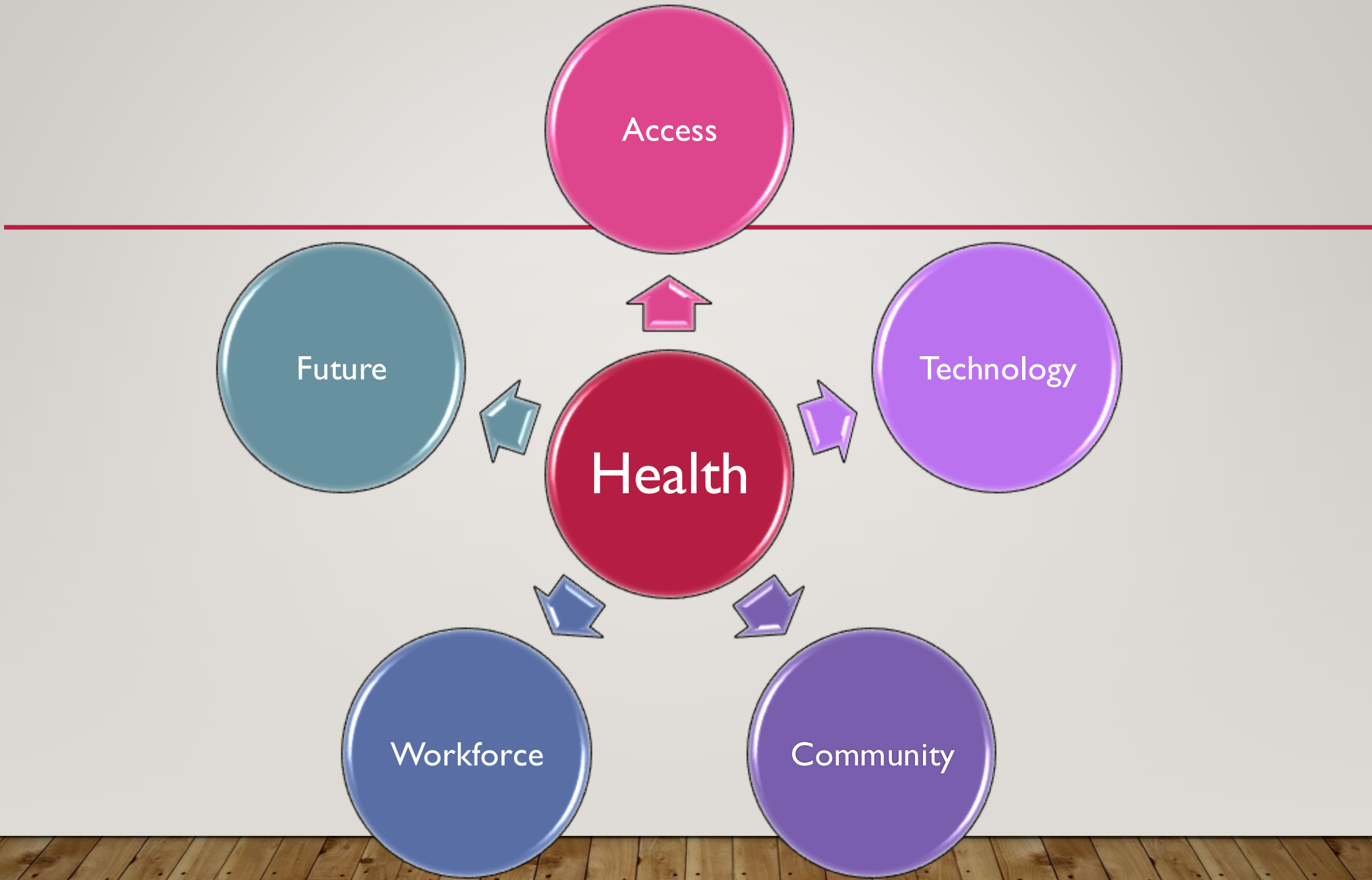
FUTURE OF HEALTHCARE ON FRASER COAST

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HEALTHCARE ACCESSIBILITY

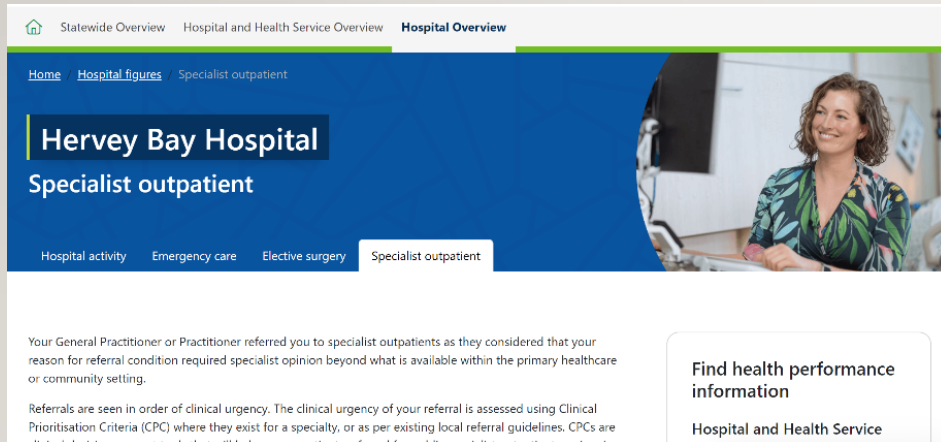
GENERAL FACTORS

- Growth in population
- Geographical distribution
- Time to access
- Money
- Workforce

HEALTH FACTORS

- Private hospital viability
- Reduced private health insurance
- Continued underinvestment
- Increased demand

HEALTHCARE ACCESSIBILITY



The screenshot shows the 'Specialist outpatient' page for Hervey Bay Hospital. The page has a blue header with the hospital name and a navigation menu. Below the header, there is a section with text explaining the referral process and a button to 'Find health performance information'.

Statewide Overview Hospital and Health Service Overview **Hospital Overview**

Home Hospital figures Specialist outpatient

Hervey Bay Hospital

Specialist outpatient

Hospital activity Emergency care Elective surgery **Specialist outpatient**

Your General Practitioner or Practitioner referred you to specialist outpatients as they considered that your reason for referral condition required specialist opinion beyond what is available within the primary healthcare or community setting.

Referrals are seen in order of clinical urgency. The clinical urgency of your referral is assessed using Clinical Prioritisation Criteria (CPC) where they exist for a specialty, or as per existing local referral guidelines. CPCs are clinical decision support tools that will help ensure patients referred for public specialist outpatient services in

[Find health performance information](#)

Hospital and Health Service

90th Centile Wait-Times
Jan-Mar 2024

Pass for Cat 1 and 2
Concerns for Cat 3

Gen Surg 607 days

Gynae 575 days

Ortho 991 days



TECHNOLOGICAL INTEGRATION

- Fear of data breach / slower uptake
 - Examples – Uniting Care, Medibank, Medisecure
- Covid-19 has been a catalyst
 - Telehealth
 - Phone scripts
- Electronic record



My Health Record



COMMUNITY HEALTH INITIATIVES

- Grass root strategies are key
- Prevention is key and this is paramount
- If you do not require the health system – **great**
- Community is the one that determines what are the key priorities
- Amazing groups and organisations



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

- Multifaceted problem
- Recruit and retain
- Housing
- Incentives and opportunities
- Work conditions



FUTURE TRENDS



Data Sharing and Integration



Improved efficiency with existing infrastructure



Increased Public and Private agreements



Networked models of care



Fly in fly out



Artificial intelligence / Augmented intelligence



SUMMARY



Healthcare
accessibility – there
are challenges



Rising cost – improve
efficiencies



Technology will assist
– still need workforce



Investment and long-
term planning is key

QUESTIONS

