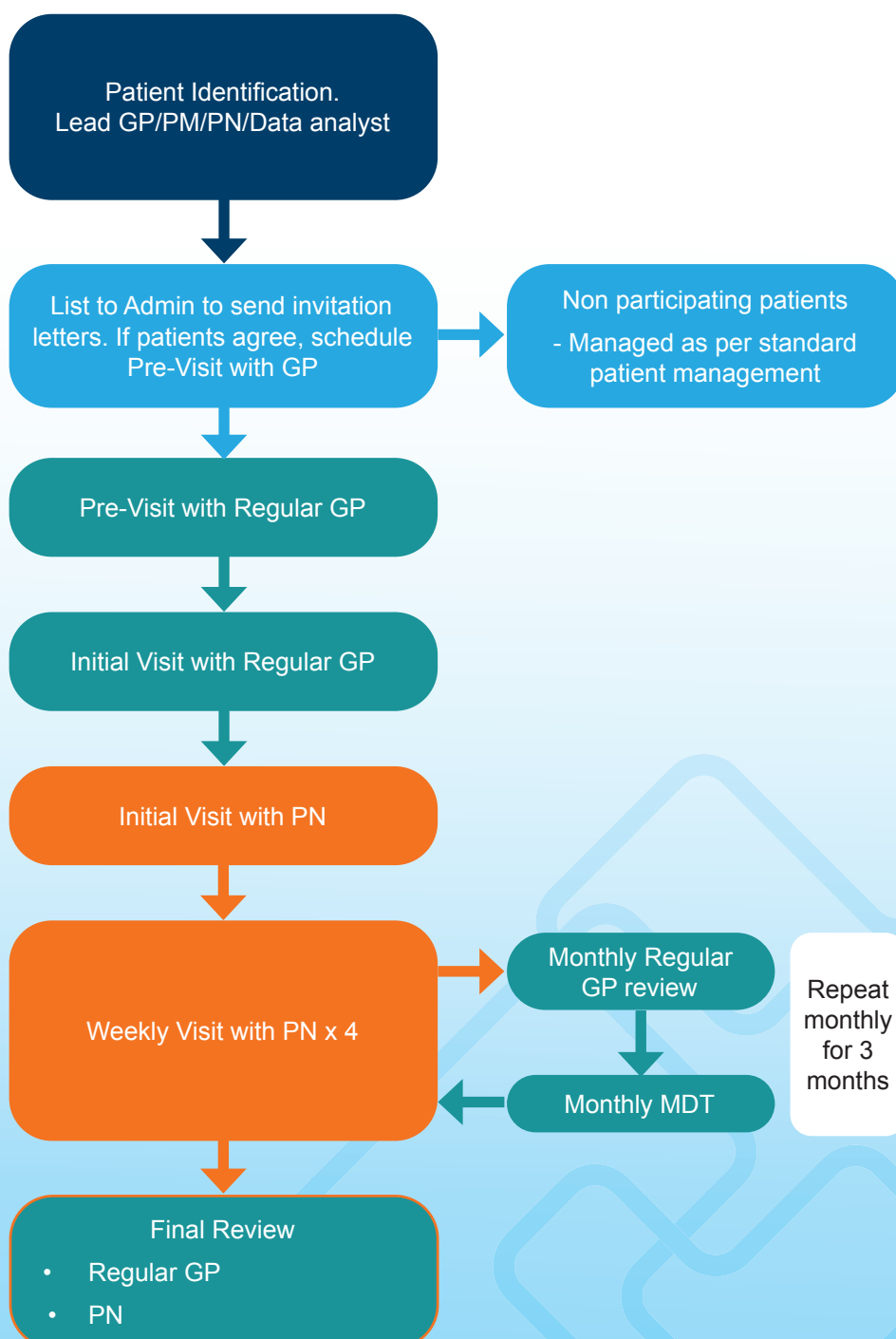




# MODEL OF CARE

## Weight management program



### Potential Funding options for this model:

- A *no out of pocket* program whereby the funding for the visits is provided by the Medicare Item numbers for Care Planning (721) and Team Care Arrangements (723) for the initial visit.
  - PN visits x 5 to utilise the 10997-item number
  - Referral for allied health services provided by the EPC visits.
  - GP reviews to utilise the 3 monthly Care plan reviews 732
  - If additional visits required – bulk bill these as per visit
- A minimal cost program whereby the initial visit is as per the above (721 & 723)
  - PN visits are subsidised by the patient paying a fee for each visit on top of the 10997 item number
  - Referral for allied health services provided by the EPC visits with out of pockets as per the provider.
  - GP reviews to utilise the 3 monthly Care plan reviews 732
  - If not due for a 3 monthly review and require a doctor visit, to be billed as reduced fee if weight management related visit or full fee if unrelated

# MODEL OF CARE

## Weight management program

### LEAD GP/ PM / PN / CLINICAL DATA ANALYST

1. Identify target population using search features of your Electronic Medical Records program.
2. Refine patient list to identify patients e.g. BMI > 30 (target TBC by Practice)
3. Prepare format for Nurse Led Health Review Appointment and template to be used for each review appointment.
4. Prepare Patient Invitations, Consent & Survey.

### ADMIN TEAM

5. Mail out invitations.
6. If they don't get a response, phone calls made to patients 2 weeks after mail out
7. If they do get a response and:
  - a. If Patient does not want to participate let them know they can choose to book an appointment at another time if they choose to participate.
  - b. If patient does want to participate book appointment for GP Pre-visit.

### REGULAR GP

8. Pre-program visit – Discuss program with patient (incl goal setting).
9. Initial Visit
  - Care plan development
  - Referral for pathology as required
  - Referral to allied health
10. Monthly Review
  - > Review progress
  - Repeat pathology as required
  - Refer as required
  - Participate in MDT meeting
11. Final review
  - > Review progress
  - Repeat pathology as required
  - Refer as required

### DEDICATED PRACTICE NURSE

12. Pre-program visit – Discuss program with patient (incl goal setting).
13. Initial Visit - Initial measures – Wt, Waist, BP, SF8 survey
14. Weekly visits - Topics incl: Food & exercise diary, Meal Planning, Food labels, Physical activity, takeaway meals/eating out, alcohol, Healthy snacks
15. Final Review
  - 3 month measures – Wt, Waist, BP, SF8 survey
  - Next steps