

# Striving to deliver health equity in rural South Australia, an alternative model of care.

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# Outline:

- Keith & District Healthcare background story
- Community Profile
- Urgent Care service then and now
- User Scope of the Urgent Care service.

# Background:

- Keith & District Hospital – Private Community Owned facility. Fully functional hospital
- SA Health asset with residential aged care and an urgent care service

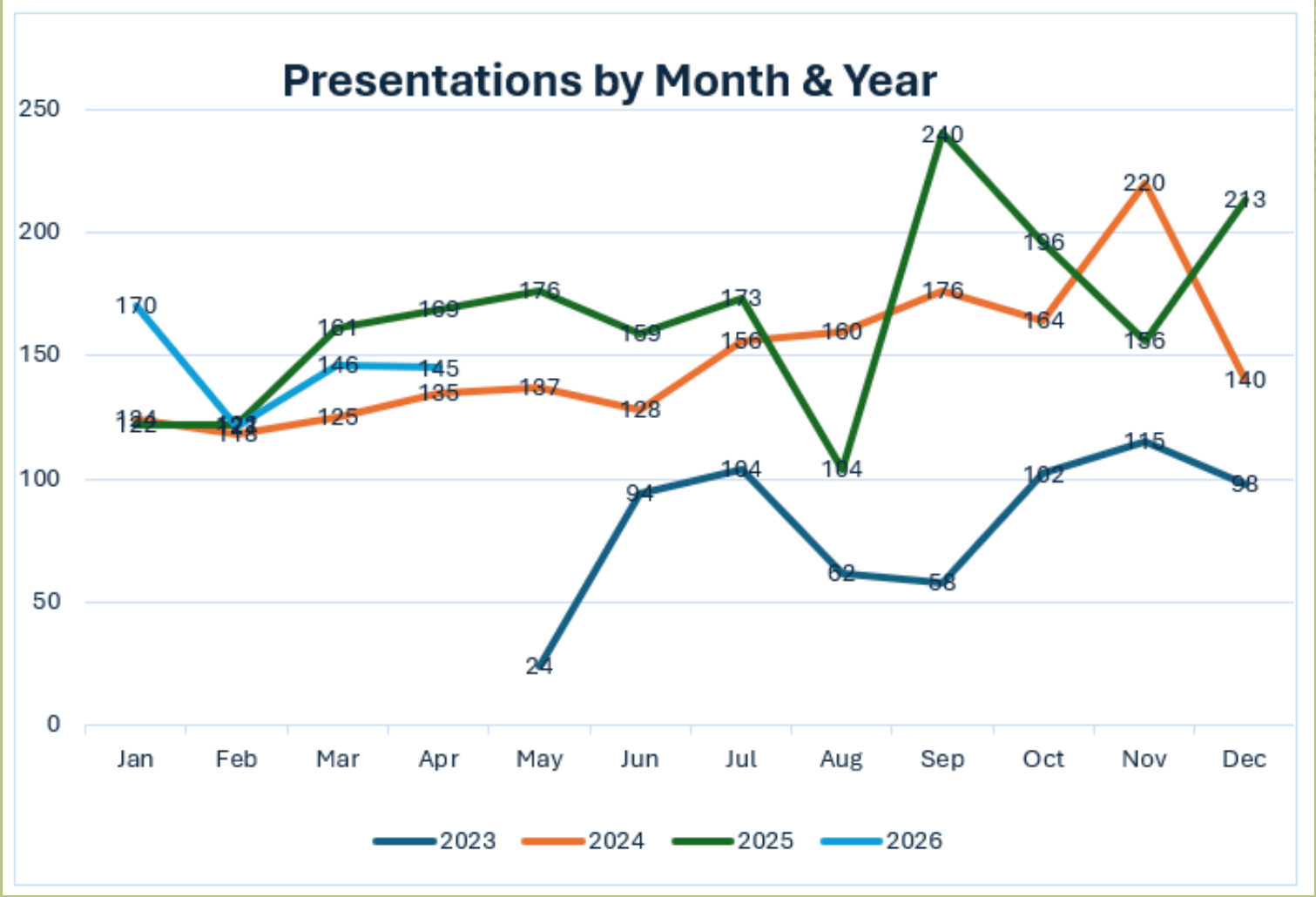


# Community Profile



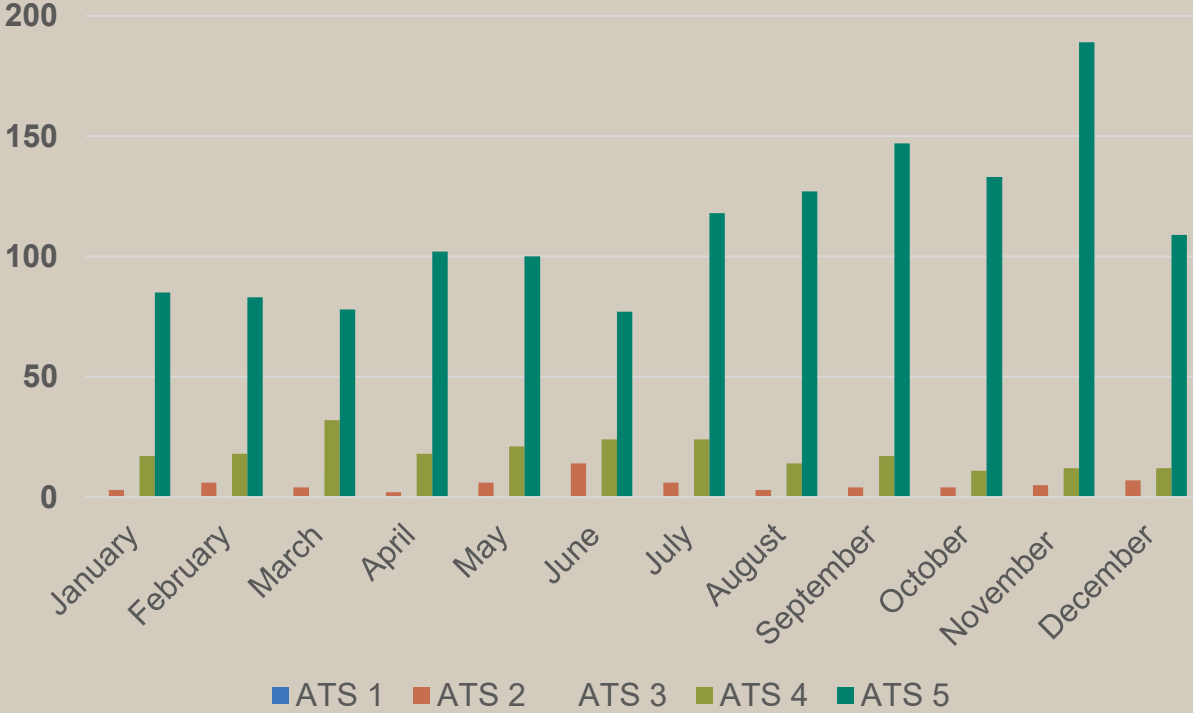
- Keith is a town on the Dukes Highway approximately 200km east of Adelaide and 200km north of Mount Gambier.
- Keith has a population of approximately 1,400 people<sup>1</sup>.
- Tatiara shire has a population of approximately 6,900 people<sup>2</sup>.

# Urgent Care Service

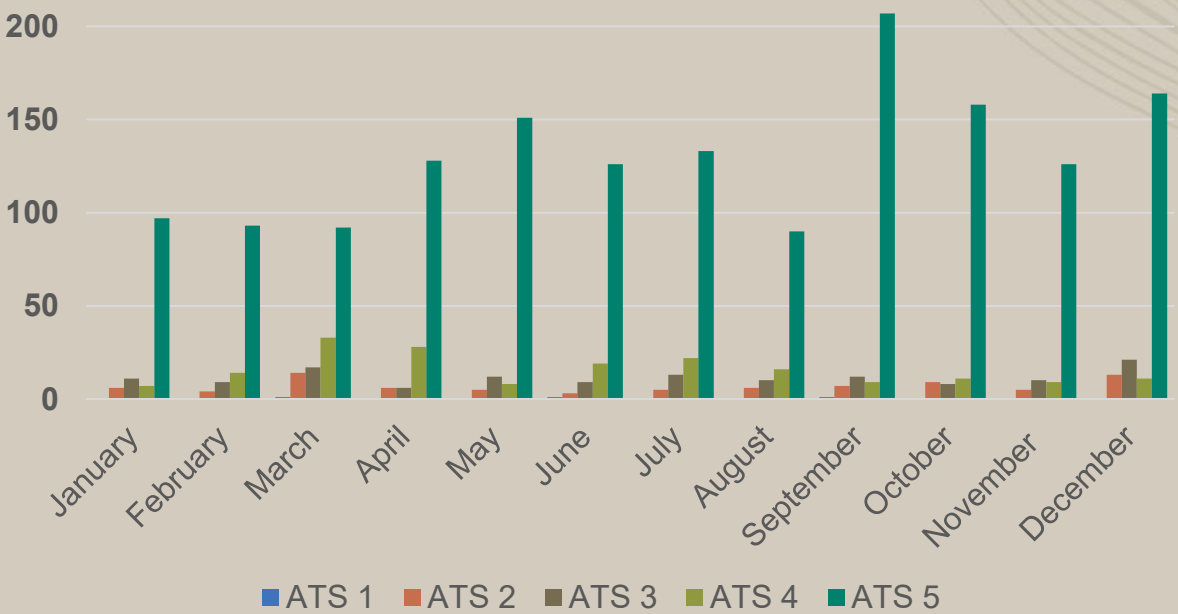


# User scope of the service

### 2024 ATS Presentations



### 2025 ATS Presentations



# Types of Presentations

Urinary Tract Infection

Back pain

Chest pain

Red eye

Minor trauma

Rash

Iron infusion

Chest infection

Upper respiratory tract infection

Cough, sore throat

Respiratory failure

Fever, vomiting

Rapid AF

Desensitization injection

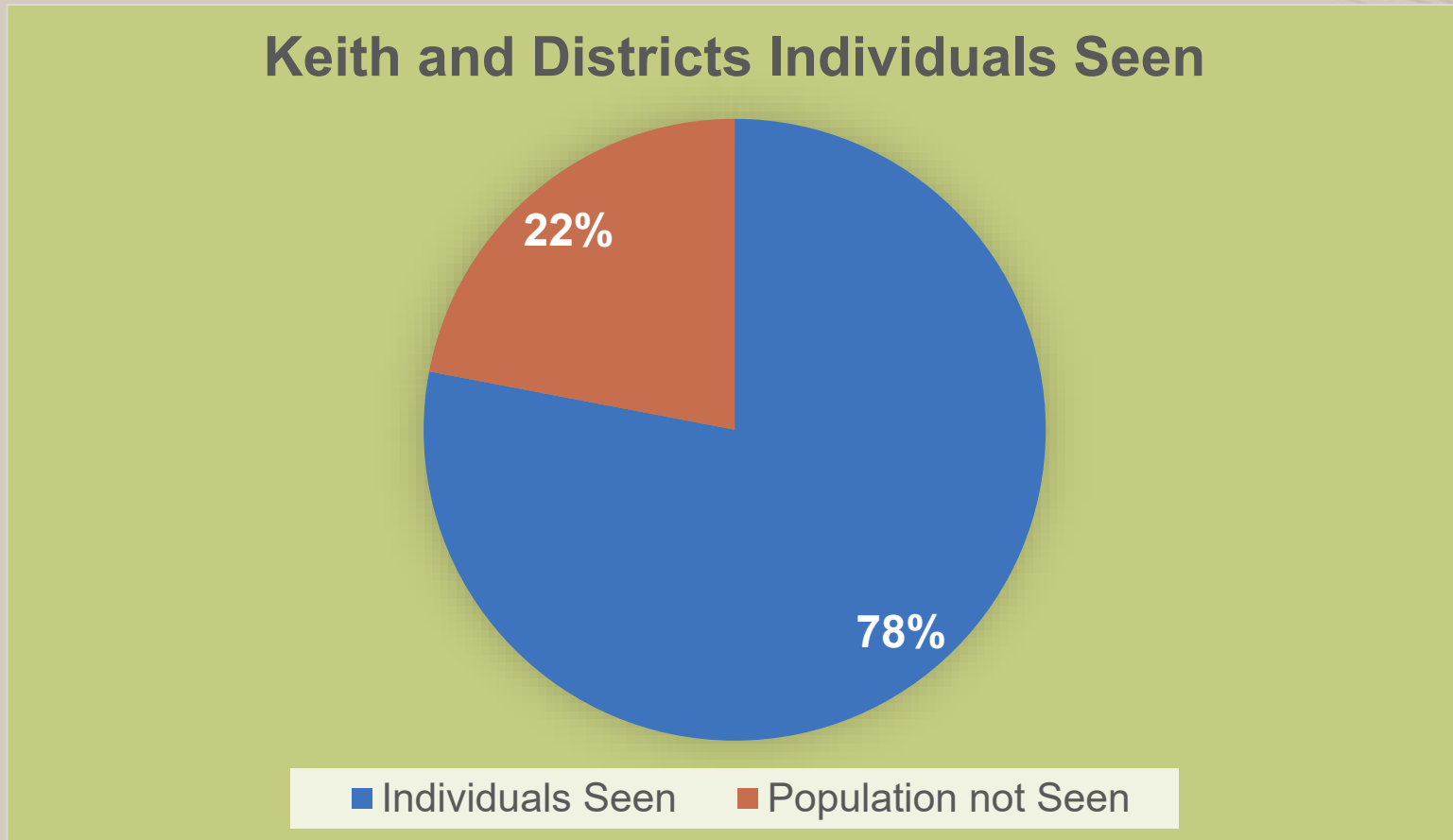
Anaphylaxis

Febrile neutropenia

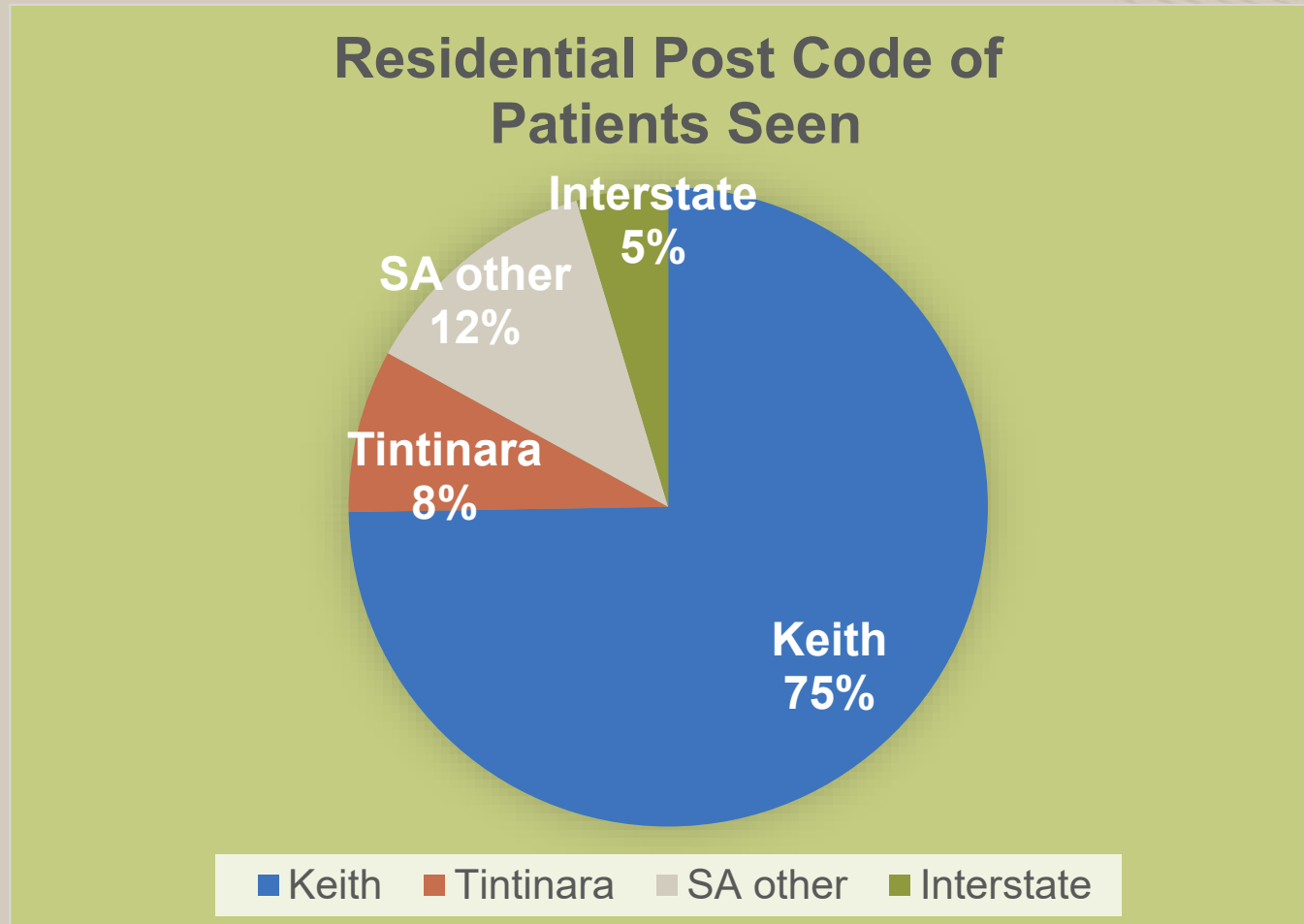
Wound review

End of Life review and care

# Residents of Keith & Districts seen based on population



# Residential Post Code of Patients Seen – total visits



# Total Patients seen by Age

2024	
Age	Number
0-10	213
11-20	168
21-30	173
31-40	178
41-50	157
51-60	177
61-70	201
71-80	240
81-90	156
91-100	109
101-110	10

2025	
Age	Number
0-10	184
11-20	169
21-30	185
31-40	180
41-50	152
51-60	164
61-70	228
71-80	301
81-90	228
91-100	202
101-110	14

# References

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