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Lessons Learned from Modelling Mental Health Services in Australia

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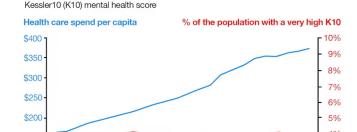


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Problem Statement



- Despite record spending in mental healthcare, the prevalence and burden of mental illness has been either stable or increasing across multiple highincome countries.
- Mental health services are complex, expensive and hard to navigate.



2007-04

2011-12

Annual mental health expenditure per capita versus % of population with a very high

What happens when individuals can't access the services they need?

Image source: https://theconversation.com/three-charts-on-why-rates-of-mental-illness-arent-going-down-despite-higher-spending-97534





1%

2015-16

2003-04

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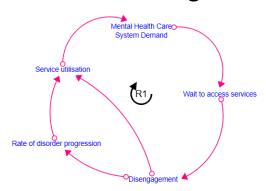
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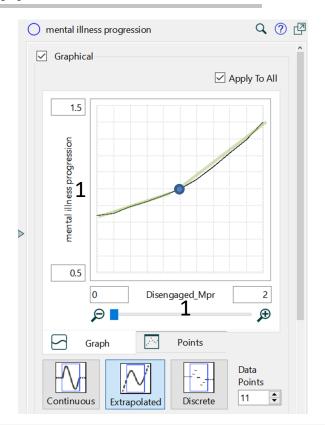
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Approach or Dynamic Hypothesis



If individuals have a prolonged wait to access services or their care need has not been met, they become **disengaged** with services, which causes their mental illness to become more severe and to access acute services at a greater rate.



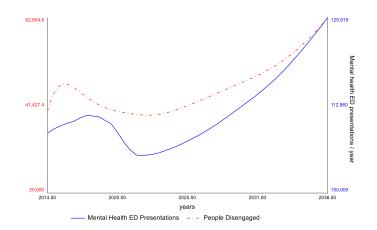




Results



Capturing disengagement allows for users to identify optimal interventions





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