

# Sláintecare.

Right Care. Right Place. Right Time.

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# Health needs are changing

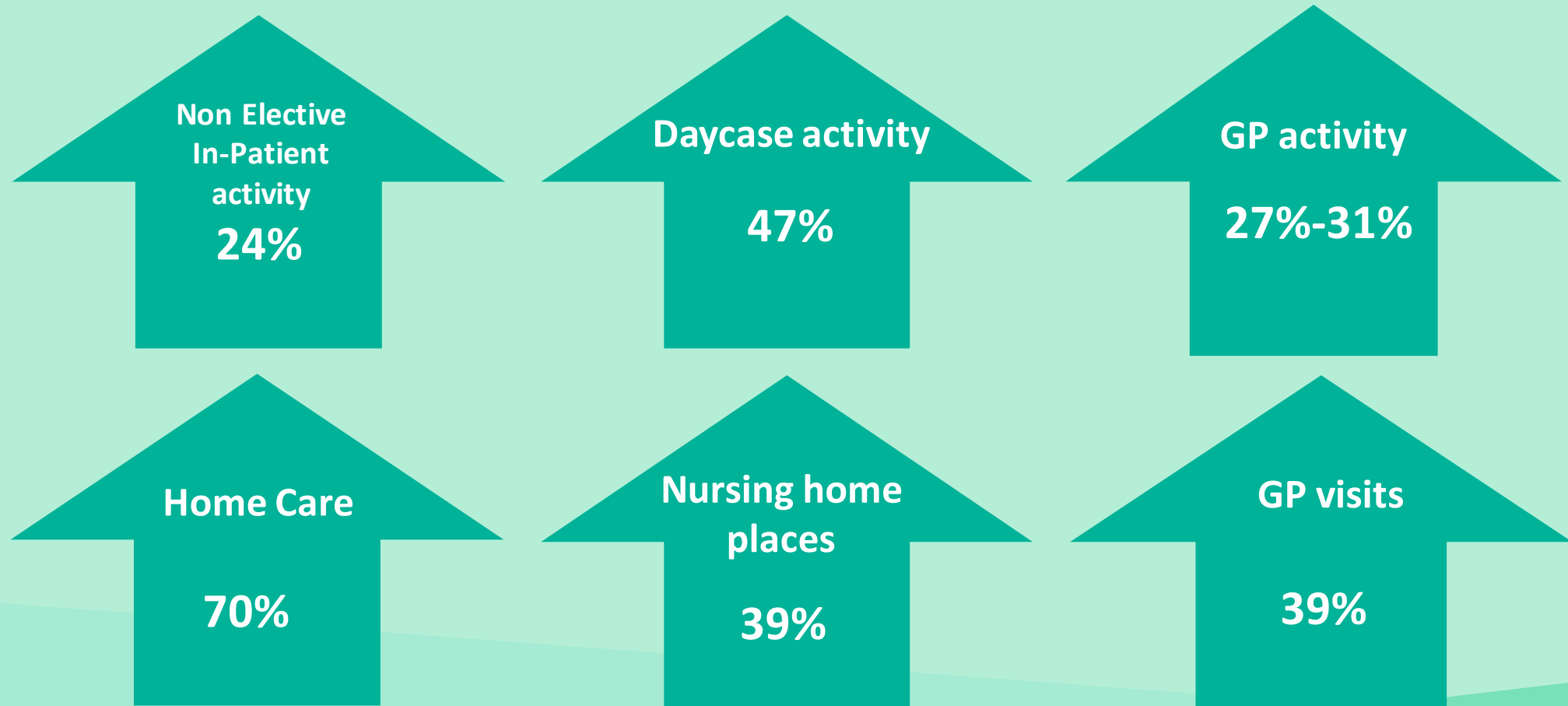
+  
Co-  
morbidity

+  
Life  
Expectancy

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Chronic  
Disease



# Projected demand increase to 2031 without reform



• Figures from Health Service Capacity Review 2018



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# Sláintecare Reform Programme

- Promote **health and wellbeing** and **prevent illness**
- **Enhance Community Care & capacity**
- **Improve hospital productivity & capacity**
- **Integrate care** between settings
- Provide care on the **basis of need**, not ability to pay
- **Reduce waiting times**

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# Sláintecare reform during COVID-19

Over 135,000  
GP community  
diagnostics\*

14m electronic  
scripts issued\*

333,000 virtual  
consultations

3.5m  
Individual  
Health  
Identifiers  
issued

*\*in 2021*



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**€1.235  
billion**

Sláintecare reform  
initiatives in Budget  
2021

**This is the single biggest investment ever in health reform**



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# Progress



**9** new Primary  
Care Centres



**49** Community  
Healthcare Networks



**6,150** new staff  
(WTE)



**42** new critical  
care beds

**17%** increase in  
Home Support  
hours



**813** new acute  
& **73** sub-acute  
beds



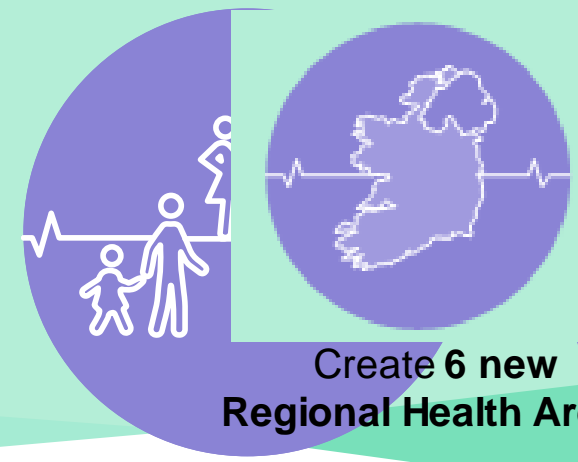
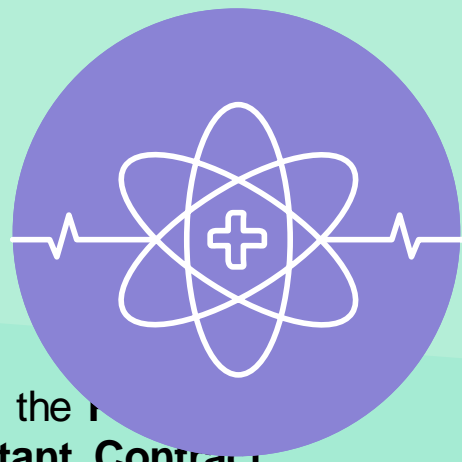
# 2022/23 we will



**96** Community Healthcare Networks  
**30** Community Specialist Teams

**Design new elective-only hospitals**

**Open 400 + additional acute beds**



Implement the **Consultant Contract**

**Address Waiting Lists**

**Create 6 new Regional Health Areas**



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