Appendix 7: Further information

Australian Hospital Statistics 2000–01 is complemented by other recent national publications related to hospital statistics:

- Previous years' data in the National Hospital Morbidity Database and the National Public Hospital Establishments Database were summarised in *Australian Hospital Statistics* 1999–00 (AIHW 2001a), *Australian Hospital Statistics* 1998–99 (AIHW 2000a), *Australian Hospital Statistics* 1997–98 (AIHW 1999a), *Australian Hospital Statistics* 1996–97 (AIHW 1998), *Australian Hospital Statistics* 1995–96 (AIHW 1997b) and *Australian Hospital Statistics* 1993–95: An Overview (AIHW 1997a).
- Summary information on public hospital elective surgery waiting times for previous years was published in *Waiting Times for Elective Surgery in Australia* 1999–00 (AIHW 2002c), *Waiting Times for Elective Surgery in Australia* 1998–99 (AIHW 2000a) and *Waiting Times for Elective Surgery in Australia* 1997–98 (AIHW 2000c).
- Establishment-level data on the resources and activities of private hospitals are compiled and published annually by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. Data for 1999–00 are presented in *Private Hospitals, Australia* 1999–00 (ABS 2001).
- Information on patterns of health and illness, use of health services and health services costs and performance was published in *Australia's Health* 2002 (AIHW 2002b).
- *The Burden of Disease and Injury in Australia* provides a comprehensive assessment of the health status of Australians which measured mortality, disability, impairment, illness and injury arising from 176 diseases and injuries, and 10 risk factors using a common metric, the disability-adjusted life year or DALY (AIHW: Mathers et al. 1999).
- *Health Expenditure Bulletin No. 17* (AIHW 2001c) provides estimates of total expenditure on health services in Australia for 1989–90 to 1999–00. Expenditure estimates are presented at the aggregate level, as a proportion of gross domestic product (GDP), on a per person basis and by source of funding Commonwealth, other government and non-government. Detailed national and State data on particular areas of expenditure are also included. The State data cover the years 1996–97 to 1998–99 and the national data, the period from 1989–90 to 1998–99.
- *Mental Health Services in Australia* 1999–00 describes the characteristics and activity of Australia's mental health care services, including ambulatory and residential mental health-related care provided by hospitals, community-based services, general practitioners, private psychiatrists and some disability support services. Detailed statistics show hospital care of patients admitted with a mental health-related diagnosis, the services, beds, staffing and expenditure in psychiatric hospitals and community-based services, and mental health-related medications prescribed by general practitioners and private psychiatrists (AIHW 2002c).
- The first, second and third national reports on health sector performance indicators reported a range of indicators of hospital performance (NHMBWG 1996, 1998, 1999). *The Fourth National Report on Health Sector Performance Indicators* provides information on the performance of the health sector and also promotes performance measurement activities in Australia (NHPC 2000).

- The *National Health Performance Framework Report* (NHPC 2001) describes the National Health Performance Framework and illustrates its potential uses. The National Report on Health Sector Performance Indicators 2001 (NHPC 2002) uses the framework to present a range of performance indicator information.
- Hospital performance indicators have also been published in the *Report on Government Services* for 1999 to 2002 (SCRCSSP 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002).
- Further information on the derivation of AR-DRG cost weights and average costs was published in *National Hospital Cost Data Collection Cost report round 4 (1999–2000)* (DHAC 2001) and in the supplementary volume summarising changes to AR–DRG version 4.2, *Australian Refined Diagnosis Related Groups Version 4.2* (DHAC 2000b).
- The Department of Health and Ageing's Internet site includes tables of data from the department's National Hospital Morbidity (Casemix) Database at http://www.health.gov.au. The scope of the department's tables may differ from the scope of the tables presented in this report, so data in the department's tables may not correspond exactly to data in this report.
- The National Public Hospital Establishments Database and the National Hospital Morbidity Database include data additional to those published in this report. These data can be made available to interested readers. The Institute can provide further information on data availability.