

Nurse led Colorectal Cancer Clinic



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We have a problem!



- # Overflowing clinics
- # Lengthening waiting lists
- # Ad hoc follow up
- # Mixed messages for patients

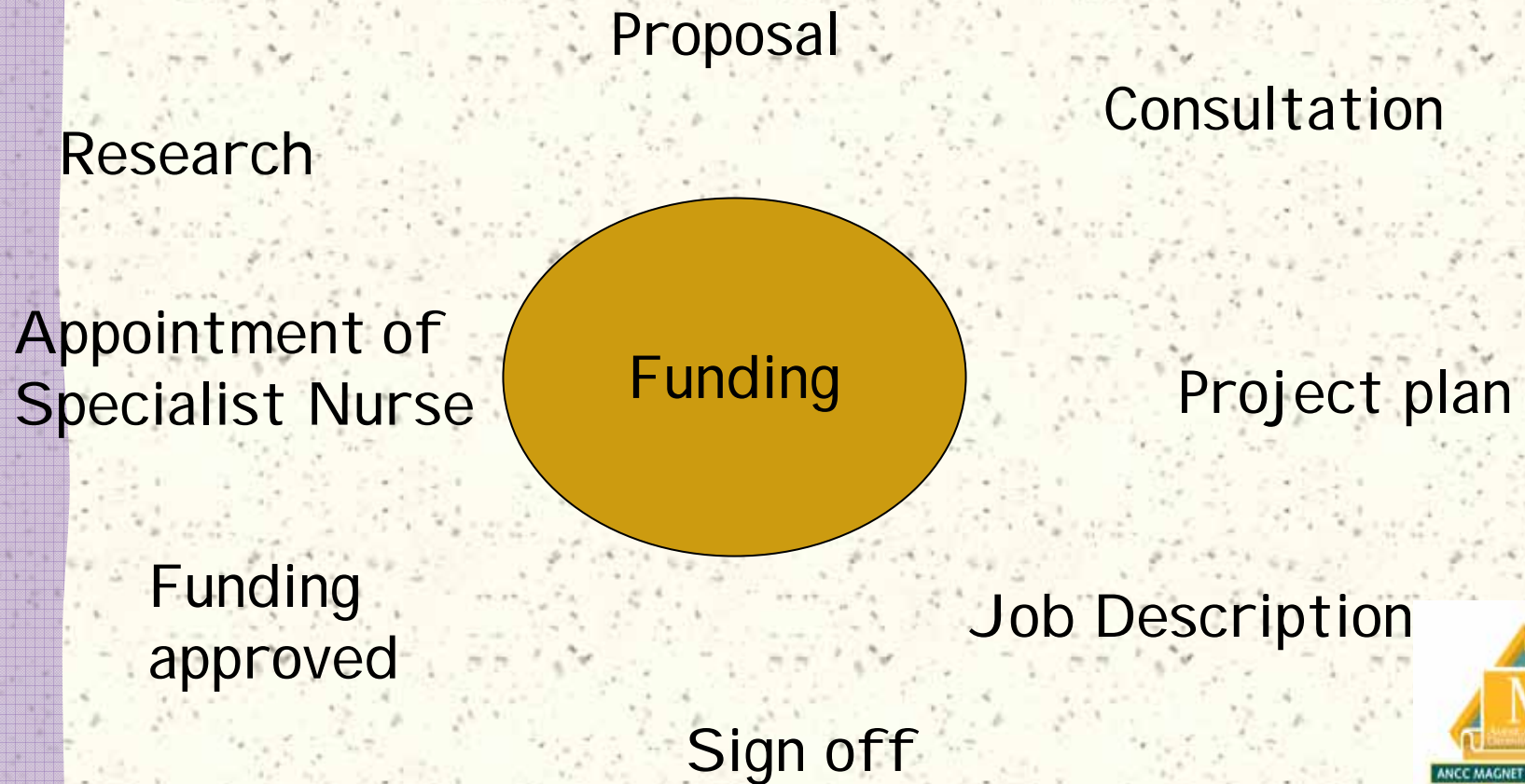


Seeking a solution

- # Corridor conversations with Surgeons
- # 2 years of deliberation, contemplation, reflection, clarifying the issues
- # Trying to find funding



The plan



Making it happen

- # Developing the skills
 - Professional Development Plan
 - Assessment skills
- # Setting up the clinic
 - Follow up plan
 - Shared care



Getting going

- # Creating supporting documentation
 - Patient information
 - Consult sheet
- # Seeing the patients
 - Booking the clinic
 - Ready to go



Quality outcomes

Facts & figures

- 590 patient contacts in 2 years
- 120 patients currently on data base
- 68 having shared care

Patient impact

- High patient satisfaction
- Improved quality of care
- Improved service delivery



Personal reflection

- # What made this work for me?
 - Nursing management
 - Surgeon support
 - Patient continuity
 - Co-ordinated care delivery



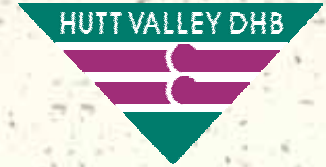
The Way Forward

- # Continuing to enhance interdisciplinary patient care
- # Improving primary-secondary interface
- # Nursing practice development
 - Individuals
 - Department
 - Model for HVDHB
 - Transferability



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