This project aims to spatially enable health data in the Mitchell and Murrindindi shires to support evidence based planning and decision making for the providers of health services in the area. The focus of this project is on developing a spatial data infrastructure (SDI) platform for analyzing health services. To achieve this, a number of datasets have been collected and formatted ready for use within a GIS.

The project involves a multidisciplinary team from both the Centre for Spatial Data Infrastructures and Land Administration at the University of Melbourne and the Lower Hume Primary Care Partnership (LHPCP) and support from a reference group (formed to guide the project development) with members from the LHPCP, Seymour Hospital, Kilmore Hospital, Mitchell Community Health Services, Department of Health Services, Department of Rural Health, Mitchell and Murrindindi shires.

To demonstrate the use of spatially enabled health in the area, as part of this project two pilot projects have been identified for development. Both projects involve integrating demographic data with health data so gaps and overlaps of services in the region can be identified.