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4 Developing a strategy to promote the generation and effective use of population health research for NSW Health: 2011–2015
Describes the development of Promoting the generation and effective use of population health research in NSW: a Strategy for NSW Health 2011–2015 and explores its main themes.
Janice S. Biggs and Beth Stickney

11 Fostering population health research in NSW: the role of research infrastructure
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