

South Island Health Service Planning – UPDATE JANUARY 2010

The following update from the SIHSP Steering Group outlines progress towards the development of a South Island Health Services Plan (SIHSP).

1. Service Development Workstreams

- Child Health
 - DHB visits have been well attended by primary, secondary & tertiary providers
 - Individual DHB report plus combined SI report in development
- Neurosurgery
 - Working group established with regular teleconferences to develop single service components and options.
- Elective Services
 - A videoconference was held on 20 Jan with DHB Clinical Leaders, who have recommended Clinical Networks as a means to get engagement for ES planning
 - The Tools & Processes workstream have agreed a workplan
 - A Production Planning workshop was held on 25 Jan
 - A joint meeting of workstreams is planned for early March.
- Ophthalmology
 - All South Island DHBs have concerns relating to ophthalmology service delivery within the short to medium term.
 - A working group with representatives from all SI DHBs has been established to consider the advantages through a SI approach.

2. Enabler workstreams

- Communications
 - A clinician Q&A document to help answer some of the common questions has been placed on the website <http://www.sissal.govt.nz/SIHSP/SIHSP%20Clinician%20QA.pdf>
- Demand Modelling
 - A draft report has been developed. Waiting for base-data sign-off from two DHBs
 - The report provides forecast projections and allows for DHBs to plan for the future.
 - Scenario development to be agreed for future options.
- Economic & social impacts of clinician v patient travel
 - Data for seven services common for outreach services within the South Island have been selected for further discussion
- Human Resources
 - Ongoing discussions to agree approach to identify potential SI direction for service delivery in current employment processes.
- Technology
 - Current systems stocktake underway:

3. Related Activity

- The draft SI HSP 2009 Report has been circulated for comment
- Planning for 2010 SI wide activity has commenced