

South Island Health Service Planning – UPDATE JUNE 2010

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

1. Child Health

- The report from the stage One Child Health work will be presented to the Steering Group and Chief Executives in August.
- The report focuses on the following areas:
 - South Island child health network
 - South Island child health strategic and business planning
 - South Island child health paediatric workforce plan
 - Sharing and collaboration (integrated services with whole of systems approach)
 - South Island child health transport service

2. Neurosurgery

- The decision for the configuration of the SI Neurosurgical service has been escalated to the Director General of Health

3. Elective Services

- The electives workstream is now developing common tools, processes and production methodology which will support whole of region electives purchasing initiatives and optimal utilisation of existing resources. Addressing this aspect is essential in order to develop a regional 'common platform' through which all DHBs can enable access for their population to elective services. This supports Government policy objectives.

4. Ophthalmology

- A meeting of clinicians and managers will be held on 14 July to discuss the issues and opportunities raised in the questionnaire responses and determine a way forward for ophthalmology in the South Island

5. Demand Modelling

- Updating data in the model
- Meeting planned to agree stage two.

6. Economic & social impacts of clinician v patient travel

- Health economists contracted to develop a generic model for use by DHBs
- Health impact assessment screening and scoping workshop planning underway

7. Health of Older People progression is being made against the 2020/11 workplan

- Maximise financial sustainability and cost effectiveness
 - Standardise the eligibility criteria and processes for entry to HOP services.
 - Work collaboratively to roll out InterRAI.
 - Develop a common service specification and contracting/pricing mechanism for a restorative package of care model for Home Based Support Services.
 - Build and maintain a regional dataset.
- Ensure fairness and equity of access to services
 - Document a consistent framework for referral, assessment and care co-ordination across the HOP continuum.
 - Work collaboratively to roll out InterRAI.
 - A common process for reconfiguring Home Based Support Services into a restorative approach.

- Develop a regional booking system for respite care.
- Build and maintain a regional dataset.
- Maintain clinical quality of care
 - Identify initiatives for improving quality and cost-effectiveness.
 - Identify the workforce capability and capacity needs for the HOP continuum.
 - Improve referral, assessment and coordination services to ensure service type and level are targeted to need (right person, right skill, right place, right time).
 - Collaborative relationships fostered among primary, secondary and tertiary HOP.
 - Develop a regional approach to supporting carers.
 - Enhance primary care interface for older people.
 - Ensure monitoring of quality is effective.
 - Maintain a restorative focus for home based support services.

8. South Island Regional Mental Health Network:

- Interface between Disability Support and Specialist Mental Health Services
 - Face to face meetings held in Northern region 17 & 18 June. Other regional meetings planned for July
- Regional Mental Health Models of Care
 - First focus groups held in Invercargill 28th & 29th June
- Recovery Orientated Indicators pilot
 - Pilot completed – feedback analysis concluded the tool meets the designed purpose, some wording changes recommended, options for access to the tool to be explored, indications and options to be presented to SIRMH for consideration

9. Strategic South Island Procurement

- Building overarching agreements with key suppliers and shared contracting for identified key purchases
- Analysis on SI capex purchasing has commenced
- Involvement with the national procurement project

10. Technology

- A SI Regional IT strategy that aligns with the national strategy is due at the end of July

11. Productivity

- theatre productivity project underway nationally, Elective Services productivity & capacity planning form a component of this workstream

12. Integration

- this workstream aims to provide the opportunity for understanding and learning from the different approaches DHBs are taking in the achieving integration across services and providers

13. South Island Regional Clinical Services Plan

The first South Island Regional Clinical Services Plan is required to be submitted to the MoH by 30 September 2010.

The New Zealand Public Health & Disability Amendment Bill is expected to be enacted by October 2010. Changes proposed include:

- DHBs to seek the optimum arrangement for the most effective and efficient delivery of health services – needs-based and across, national, regional and local boundaries'
- Requirement for DHBs to collaborate with relevant to 'plan, co-ordinate' at local, regional and national levels for the most 'effective and efficient' delivery of health services
- Replaces the requirements for DAPs and DSPs with a 'regional planning framework'