

Midland Cancer Network 2010-11 Quarter One Summary Progress Report - 1 July–30 September 2010

STRATEGIC DIRECTION 1: KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION SHARING

- Midland Cancer Network is partnering with Central Cancer Network to develop and implement a web based supportive care directory in development with Digital Stream. The four regional cancer networks have agreed service components of the directory
- Developed web based early detection of lung cancer information and early detection of bowel cancer development commenced
- Health Outcomes International is developing a national implementation plan for the *Guidance for Improving Supportive Care for Adults in New Zealand*. A HOI/Midland Cancer Network 'strategic thinkers' planning day is scheduled for 19 November 2010.
- Early detection of lung cancer in Rotorua has commenced with a community based campaign - "cough, cough cough".
- the network facilitated in partnership with a Waikato Maori health provider and the Cancer Society the establishment of support/education groups for lung and bowel cancer.
- Facilitated a raising awareness of prostate cancer to staff on DHB websites.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2: SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT - BETTER, SOONER MORE CONVENIENT SERVICES

- Bowel and lung elective services pathway review completed.
- Lung cancer:
 - NZ regional cancer networks along with the NZ Lung Cancer Work Group have developed three indicators, preliminary report has been developed for presentation to MCN Executive Group and Midland Lung Cancer Work Group. Note indicators still in development phase.
 - Regional lung cancer work up guidance agreed.
 - Waikato Radiology CT initiative is in progress with demonstrated improvements.
- Bowel cancer:
 - NZ regional cancer networks have developed three indicators; preliminary report has been developed for presentation to MCN Executive Group and Midland Bowel Cancer Work Group. Note indicators still in development phase and unable to report on MDM.
 - Assisted with the formation of the NZ Bowel Cancer Work Group to be formed next quarter.
 - Intensive two month consultation, planning and submission of a bowel screening pilot programme request for proposal business case. Submitted to the Ministry of Health 30th September 2010.
 - Bay of Plenty have planned to improve surveillance colonoscopy access as part of the process and successful in obtaining a Health Workforce initiative for nurse endoscopist.
- Radiotherapy:
 - Final draft Midland Radiotherapy Services Plan 2010-2020 is almost complete for review.
- Medical Oncology / Chemotherapy:
 - Midland Medical Oncology Services Plan 2010-2020 planning continues.
 - Ambulatory chemotherapy improvement initiative continues with demonstrated improvements.
- PET-CT initiatives achieved as per annual work plan.
- Adolescent and young adult cancer services workshop to launch the service specifications was held. An issue with AYACS CNS revenue has been highlighted. Review report in progress.
- Palliative care:
 - Midland Palliative Care Services planning continues. Bay of Plenty, Lakes and paediatric, consultation completed. Waikato in progress including GP electronic survey.
 - Submitted regional feedback on the second draft of the national specialist palliative care service specifications.
- Breast – established work group to develop regional follow-up guidance.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION 3: INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

- Tairāwhiti DHB non-surgical services review terms of reference received and acknowledged support.
- Midland Cancer Network team attended first quality training workshop with NHS Institute of Innovation and Improvement (Northern cancer Network/Ministry of Health initiative).
- Significant input into Cancer Control New Zealand qualitative regional cancer network evaluation.
- Lakes DHB endorsed the establishment of the Lakes Cancer and Palliative Care Forum.