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Shorter stays in Emergency Departments

The target is 95 percent of patients will be admitted, discharged, or transferred from an Emergency Department (ED) within six hours. The target is a measure of the efficiency of flow of acute (urgent) patients through public hospitals, and home again.

This quarter, four smaller hospitals have been added to the Shorter Stays in Emergency Departments target (see the website for further details).





Improved access to elective surgery

The target is an increase in the volume of elective surgery by at least 4000 discharges per year. DHBs planned to deliver 38,629 discharges for the year to date, and have delivered 1964 more.

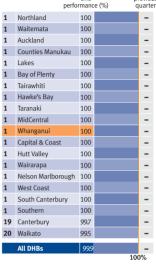




Shorter waits for cancer treatment

The target is all patients, ready-for-treatment, wait less than four weeks for radiotherapy or chemotherapy. Six regional cancer centre DHBs provide radiation oncology services. These centres are in Auckland, Hamilton, Palmerston North, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. Medical oncology services are provided by the majority of DHBs.

During quarter one 2013/14, three patients who were ready-for-treatment waited longer than four weeks, one for radiotherapy and the other two for chemotherapy.





Increased Immunisation

The national immunisation target is 90 percent of eightmonth-olds have their primary course of immunisation at six weeks, three months and five months on time by July 2014 and 95 percent by December 2014. This quarterly progress result includes children who turned eight-months between July and September 2013 and who were fully immunised at that stage.





Better help for smokers to quit

The target is 95 percent of patients who smoke and are seen by a health practitioner in public hospitals, and 90 percent of patients who smoke and are seen by a health practitioner in primary care, are offered brief advice and support to guit smoking.





More heart and diabetes checks

This target is 90 percent of the eligible population will have had their cardiovascular risk assessed in the last five years to be achieved by July 2014.

