

Integrated Care – September Update

Welcome to the seventh edition of our update on activities and decisions around the Integration of Home, Community, Primary and Specialist Services for the Capital & Coast DHB district.

Packages of care gradually building up.

The last few months has seen the start of the ‘package of care’ approach to home and community services. This is a new approach to the delivery of home and community services and an approach which will increase over the coming months as packages become more comprehensive in nature.

This approach will over time, form the basis of how home and community services will be delivered in the future, especially as in the course of the next few years we will see more older people with chronic disease being cared for at home for longer.

It is still early days for C&C DHB with this approach and so there will be lots to learn as this develops.

Stroke Rehabilitation Service

During the same time, the rehabilitation arm of the stroke service has been steadily established with the in-patient rehabilitation ward running training sessions for staff and. We still anticipate that the acute stroke service will be organised in the near future.

InterRAI

Following a successful year of piloting and finding out about what InterRAI, we are now in a position to look at more pilots and a steady roll out (with associated developments in process) over the next two years. Over time we hope to see InterRAI being used across a number of services across the DHB.

As most of the parts of the programme are now in place, this will be our last newsletter. So we’d like to thank all the many people who have put in a lot of work over the past two years to help establish this model. It is still just the beginning of a different approach to how we provide home and community services.

To find out more information on the Integration of Home, Community, Primary and Specialist Services go to the C&C DHB web site at:

http://www.ccdhb.org.nz/planning/homecommunity/home_community.htm

Or go to the Care Coordination Centre website at:

<http://www.ccdhb.org.nz/HHS/communityhealth/carecoordination/ccc.htm>