

Health Fact Sheet

Division: Metropolitan Health & Aged Care Services

Issue: ARMC - Hospital Demand Management Strategy 2002-03

Building on the initiatives of Hospital Demand Management Strategy 2001-02, Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre will implement new projects totalling **\$5,482,248** in 2002-03.

Additional Patients	\$2,515,000
Reform ED Processes	\$320,000
Substitution of Acute Care	\$748,480
Improve Patient Flows	\$681,296
Hospital Admission Risk Program	\$1,217,472

Initiatives include:

ADDITIONAL PATIENTS

- Additional funds to treat more emergency patients over the year \$1,257,500
- Additional funds to treat more elective patients over the year \$1,257,500

REFORM ED PROCESSES

- Multi-disciplinary triage at weekends to improve time taken to treatment and diagnosis for emergency patients \$5,000 one-off
\$315,000 recurrent

SUBSTITUTION OF ACUTE CARE

- Expand Rehabilitation in the Home services to enable patients who are recovering from illness or injury to receive treatment at home \$24,560 one-off
\$562,789 recurrent
- Medihotel to provide supervised overnight accommodation to patients who do not need to be admitted \$161,131 recurrent

IMPROVE PATIENT FLOWS

- Expand Care Coordination services to additional inpatient units in order to improve care and discharge planning \$8,000 one-off
\$140,000 recurrent
- Out of Hours Bed Management support to optimise use of bed resources out of hours \$72,963 recurrent
- Emergency "Flex Beds" to better manage peaks in demand for emergency admissions \$140,000 recurrent
- Spinal Program to reduce the total length of stay of spinal patients who are admitted \$41,934 one-off
\$170,215 recurrent
- Continence Management for elderly patients who are likely to need ongoing care \$36,000 one-off
\$72,184 recurrent

HOSPITAL ADMISSION RISK PROGRAM

- Community Link Rapid Response Service \$40,900 one-off, \$399,869 recurrent
- Integrated Approach to Chronic Disease Management \$35,450 one-off, \$368,741 recurrent
- Improving Diabetes Care \$34,000 one-off, \$338,512 recurrent