

Health Fact Sheet

Division: Metropolitan Health & Aged Care Services

Issue: Northern Health - Hospital Demand Management Strategy 2002-03

Building on the initiatives of Hospital Demand Management Strategy 2001-02, Northern Health will implement new projects totalling **\$5,988,922** in 2002-03.

Additional Patients	\$1,420,975
Reform ED Processes	\$1,617,717
Improve Patient Flows	\$208,866
Reduce Exit Block	\$1,034,869
Hospital Admission Risk Program	\$1,706,495

Initiatives include:

ADDITIONAL PATIENTS

- Additional funding to treat more emergency patients \$1,420,975

REFORM ED PROCESSES

- ED Fast Track Service to enable timely and effective assessment and treatment of patients in the emergency department \$45,900 one-off, \$269,924 recurrent
- Establish a 10 Bed Emergency Medical Unit to streamline the management of medical patients. \$77,000 one-off, \$218,893 recurrent
\$1,006,000 for additional patients

IMPROVE PATIENT FLOWS

- Expand Care Coordination – including Outreach from the Emergency Department to prevent unnecessary admissions. \$33,866 one-off, \$175,000 recurrent

REDUCE EXIT BLOCK

- Expand Interim Care Options for patients awaiting residential care \$490,925 recurrent
- Expand Home Therapy Service & Access Unit to increase the number of patients treated in the community rather than hospital \$13,500 one-off, \$206,480 recurrent
- ACAS Rapid Response Program to enable timely assessment of the care needs of older people. \$4,000 one-off, \$319,964 recurrent

HOSPITAL ADMISSION RISK PROGRAM

- Northern Health Aged Care Outreach Service: \$72,000 one-off, \$579,249 recurrent
- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: \$35,145 one-off, \$13,801 recurrent
- After Hours Medical Services: \$103,950 one-off, \$91,683 recurrent
- Aged Care Shared Care Model: \$34,000 one-off, \$362,012 recurrent
- Diabetes Disease Management: \$36,000 one-off, \$219,489 recurrent
- Bundoora Extended Care Centre GP Liaison Initiative: \$33,000 one-off, \$126,166 recurrent