



interRAI National Implementation Project

Navigating the Challenges

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History Timeline

Several national reports:

- National Health Committee (2000)
- NZ Disability Strategy (2001)
- Health of Older People Strategy (2002)
- Assessment process for older people (2003)
- Tools Review (2003)
- Specialist Health Services for Older People (2004)

⇒ interRAI as preferred assessment

2007 DHBNZ Business Case

2008 MoH Budget announcement

⇒ roll out across all DHB

2008 Project begins late July

interRAI

inter = international, RAI = resident assessment instrument

A shift

- To a standardised and reliable assessment system
- To decision support for assessors
- To electronic form of communication
- To minimise omissions
- To provide a platform assessment → support services or further investigation
- To 'at point of care' data collection system

Software ensures the data interfaces from one version to another, and enables data to be aggregated

Assessment Versions

Contact Assessment

Home Care

LTCF

Acute care

Post acute care

Mental Health care

Palliative care

Intellectual disability

Assisted Living

interRAI is a Process

- Accessed via the internet (usual security process)
- Staff use a laptop (synchronise check in / check out data system)
- Few set questions, but set data to be collected
- Uses conversation, 'other' report & coding guide
- Relies on accurate coding by assessor
- Initial assessment takes about 1.15 hour, reviews about 30-40 minutes
- Analysis of results and care planning from 15 to 30 minutes

Statement of Purpose

The interRAI DHB National Implementation Project is a phased, 3-4 year implementation of the InterRAI Home Care and Contact Assessments to improve assessment processes for older people in New Zealand.

Project Objectives

That by the end of 4 years, each DHB :

- Has (at a minimum) implemented interRAI homecare and contact assessments as the assessment for support services for older people
- Uses interRAI HC & CA as part of an integrated assessment process

Project Scope

- All 21 DHBs
- interRAI Contact Assessment & Home Care Assessment
 - Non complex to complex
- Services that support community based care for older people
- Alignment with ACC

Project National Elements

- MoH
 - national leadership
 - distributing allocated funding
- Project Advisory Group (DHBs, Age Concern, ACC)
- DHB project work streams ⇒ **National Criteria**
 - Training
 - Maori access
 - Information systems
 - Sustainability including future R&D
- DHB network
- MoH website communication

Implementation Approach

- Scheduled approach
 - Different roles for different DHB
 - host DHB
 - supported DHB
 - lead DHB
- Current host
– CDHB, NMDHB, CCDHB
- Current supported
– Hutt Valley, BoP, Lakes

Current phase

- Establishing the approach
- Developing an implementation schedule for DHB
- Plan for distributing the funding; operational and capital
- Progressing the work streams

Project Timelines

- Pre-implementation phase; readiness self audit, funding model, support model, project template by end December 2008
- First DHB phase 08/09 year aim for 2 lead and 2 or 3 supported DHB
- Second DHB phase 09/10 year; aim for 5 supported DHB
- Aim for 3 supported DHB each subsequent year.

Questions / Comments

Thank you

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