







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.

From next quarter, some level two emergency department facilities will be included in the target.





Improved access to elective surgery

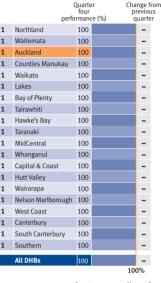
The target is an increase in the volume of elective surgery by at least 4000 discharges per year. DHBs planned to deliver 148,259 discharges for the 2012/13 year, and have delivered 10,223 more.





Shorter waits for cancer treatment

The target is all patients, readyfor-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.





Increased Immunisation

The national immunisation target is 85 percent of eightmonth-olds have their primary course of immunisation at six weeks, three months and five months on time by July 2013, 90 percent by July 2014 and 95 percent by December 2014. This quarterly progress result includes children who turned eight-months between April and June 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 quit 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 in stages by July 2014. The current stage is to achieve 75 percent by July 2013.

