

Issue 2 | PRIMHD Northern region update

Programme for the Integration of Mental Health Data

Monthly update from the Governance group on what is happening and where we are at with PRIMHD in the Northern region.

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Regional update (stage 3+)

The first Regional Coordinators National Meeting was held in Wellington on 13 and 14 October 09. This meeting was a collaboration between Platform and MoH. There were two very productive days, and Soledad Labbe-Hubbard was please that a number of actions were agreed to be taken by MoH, Platform and/or by the other Regional Coordinators. One of the key actions (outcomes) was the development of reporting guidelines. The MoH together with Platform are going to provide terms of reference for the Northern Regional coordinator to lead a national working group to develop the reporting guidelines enabling a national consistent approach to PRIMHD reporting.

Getting data consolidated

PRIMHD is a combination of the Mental Health Information National Collection (MH-INC) and the Standard Measures of Assessment and Recovery (MH-SMART). One of the great values of PRIMHD is the consolidation of information from two different groups – DHBs and NGOs. DHB information includes service delivered and outcomes, and NGO focus on service delivered.

In order to deliver benefits of PRIMHD to the sector, we need to ensure that collection is successful across both DHBs and NGOs. As a Region, we have a great opportunity to work together over the next 16 months and make positive changes in the sector by working both internally and with others to make the best of this process.

Checking NHI number

NHI is the primary field captured by PRIMHD. This information can be provided by MoH via a 0800 number at no associated or extra cost or could be accessed from a specific web portal at a reasonable cost. Please contact Sole if you want any further information on this.

National highlights

NGOs of Stage 1 are now reporting through the web portal, via a secure modem - in the past they used to send paper report to MoH. There are still technical issues around the deployment of the web portal for Stage 3+ and the transmission of files via the secure portal for Stage 2 providers, work is being undertaken to resolve this problem.

A Regional Coordinator Group (of all the PRIMHD regional Coordinators, MoH and Platform represented by Phillipa Gaines) has now been set up, and the group is expected to have fortnightly teleconference meetings to share information and raise issues/concerns encountered during the process.

At a glance as at 30 Oct

- 32 providers visited, and about 13 providers to visit (3 in Auckland and 10 in the Northland) .
- National approach for reporting to be lead by Northern Region along with other regional coordinators.
- MoH web portal live, there are still some technical issues around secure access, work is being undertaken to resolve them.

Timeline	Nov	Dec	Jan
Define reporting requirements	█		
Local network forums update		█	
Visit Northland NGOs	█	█	
Discuss plan with NGOs		█	
Simulate data collection			█