



TASMANIA'S HEALTH PLAN ACTION

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Render of redevelopment at Clarence.

Clarence GP Super Clinic/ ICC – early building works commence



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The start of the building works for the Clarence GP Super Clinic/Integrated Care Centre (ICC) was officially marked on the 16th February 2010, with early building works starting with the car park at the Clarence Community Health Centre.

The project team are currently planning the next round of information sessions for staff and the community.

Community information sessions will be advertised in the local newspapers and open to all

members of the public. If you are interested in finding out more please contact project manager Sally Williams on 62334937 or project officer Catherine Featherstone on 62336278 or email: catherine.featherstone@dhhs.tas.gov.au .

GP South is also holding an information session for general practitioners who have an interest in the Clarence GP Super Clinic/ICC. This will be held on 12 April at the Bellerive Yacht Club from 6.30pm.^{THP}

Launceston ICC Update

The development of the Launceston ICC is also moving ahead. A Clinical Service Advisory Group comprising of Dr Alasdair McDonald, Dr Kim Rooney and Dr Beth Mulligan is responsible for overseeing the development of the service model for the Launceston ICC.

The ICC will initially focus on three chronic conditions – diabetes, musculoskeletal and cardio-pulmonary rehabilitation.

This group, supported by project manager, Meredith Burn and project officer Jenny Gardam, will work with the three multi-disciplinary teams being established to undertake the detailed planning of integrated care pathways for diabetes, cardio-pulmonary rehabilitation and musculoskeletal conditions.

For more information on the Launceston development call 63365564 or email jenny.gardam@dhhs.tas.gov.au^{THP}

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Aged Care and Rehabilitation Clinical Network Update



Clinical Leaders Drs David Dunbabin and John Cannell

The aim of this clinical network is to increase the involvement of clinicians, service providers, and consumers in the statewide planning, delivery, evaluation and improvement of aged care and rehabilitation services in Tasmania.

They have a monthly newsletter available at http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/health_and_wellbeing/aged_care/related_topics2/services/aged_care_and_rehabilitation_clinical_network

They are very interested in publicising any upcoming events, interesting projects, news or announcements that may interest the Aged Care and Rehabilitation Clinical Network members.

You can contact them on 62365614 or email them at acrcinicalnetwork@dhhs.tas.gov.au ^{THP}

Tasmania's Health Plan Community Forums commence

Tasmania's Health Plan Community Forums were slightly delayed by the need to observe Caretaker Conventions during the period before the March 20 election.

The three regional forums commence with the North (26 March), South (1 April) and North West (15 April).

Each Area will feature their own Area Health Service CEO, as well as updates on the implementation of Tasmania's Health Plan and the Leading the Way programs.

A summary report will follow these meetings so that all members of the public have access to the latest updates.

Guide to Your Health and Human Services

The February 2010 DHHS organisation chart gives the public more information about who delivers what around the state.

It can be found at http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0019/45910/DHHS_OrgChart_10_03_18.pdf ^{THP}

Tasmania's Health Plan

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Time to quit – North West smoking cessation clinics

Specialist Clinics at the North West Regional Hospital and the Mersey Community Hospital have begun Smoking Cessation Consultation Liaison Services. ^{THP}

On your bike – North West physiotherapy



A 'Learn to Ride' bike group began in 2009 at the Devonport Community and Health Services Centre and has continued into 2010.

This was in response to the many parents and children who select independent bike riding as a key goal they want to achieve while in Paediatric Physiotherapy Services.

The group takes place in the community at a local park with the help of the parents.

The program has scored a 100% success rate in teaching the children to ride independently. ^{THP}