

GRAMPIANS INTEGRATED CANCER SERVICES

Name of initiative	Initiative stage	Aim & progress	Outcome(s)	Contact
Governance / GICS Executive	Implemented 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To oversee and improve the development of the cancer service plan. Monitor performance and outcomes of Grampians plan. Ensure clear transparent financial accountability of GICS funds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed terms of reference memorandum of understanding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stakeholder Fund holder To ensure stakeholder engagement consultation is ongoing. 	Current Chair Mr Chris Scott CEO, Wimmera Health Care Contact GICS: (03) 5320 4782
Cancer Service Plan 2006	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve access to a more comprehensive range of cancer services. A clearer referral pathways 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The plan is strategic in focus and tailored to meet needs of cancer patients / Grampians. 	Ms Colleen O'Hara Manager Contact GICS: (03) 5320 4782
Service Mapping	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To audit current cancer services in acute / public / private & community sectors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify strengths / gaps of cancer services. Develop new improvement initiatives related to gaps. 	Ms Colleen O'Hara Manager GICS (03) 5320 4782
Grampians Cancer Service workforce mentoring	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teaching and training Ongoing identification of workforce requirements. Link with state initiatives 	<p>Short term In response to local needs analysis in cancer nursing – short term seminars for nurses.</p> <p>Medium term: 12 month cancer specific education course. Accredited by the Royal College</p>	Ms Colleen O'Hara Manager GICS (03) 5320 4782

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Planned Initiative Consumer participation	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop formal participation with consumers. • Identify gaps in service delivery by consumers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual consumer forum to engage group for ongoing feedback (2007) • Engage and consult with consumers to identify gaps. • Incorporate the written recommendations made by consumers into plan • 6 Consumer workshops, 10 support groups made recommendations 	Ms Colleen O'Hara Robyn McIntyre / Maree White RCN's GICS (03) 5320 4782
Planned Initiative Developed LCTG Leadership groups	Ongoing planning	Initiatives related to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multidisciplinary Meetings • Advocacy for colleagues • Link to national Standards • Effective use of Expertise • Evidence base planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCTG's advocating and advising on tumour specific strengths and gaps. • Improve and increase evidence based care. • Development of standardized local collaborating tumour streams linked to PMF's • Provide clinical leadership for each tumour. • Identify clinical support services for the region. 	Dr Stephen Vaughan GICS Director (03) 5320 4782

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Planned Initiative Research participation In Grampians	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit local research (public, private community) • Develop relationships with local researchers • Identify basic and applied research relevant to cancer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve participation of patients in clinical trials • Develop a Grampians collaborative cancer research group linked to state cancer registry • Data base developed of local research 	Dr Stephen Vaughan GICS Director (03) 5320 4782
Planned Initiative Data sets for cancer activates Grampians	Ongoing	Develop a complete data set allowing planning and resource allocation on a more rational basis	Develop a data model	Dr Stephen Vaughan GICS Director (03) 5320 4782
C.S.I.P 2005 – 2006 Develop of Grampians Febrile neutopenia protocol	Implementing recommendations into 2007 initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit current protocols used through all service provides in public, private community. • Audit existing policies improved relationship with 7 day oncology units. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication between chemotherapy units, lead clinicians. • Agreement to protocol through Grampians service providers. • Patients receive quality care based on evidence. • Enhance current working relationships. • Link / core milestone care coordination and variation in practice. 	Wimmera Health Care Project Officer Contact GICS: (03) 5320 4782

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C.S.I.P Project Identifying provision and utilization of support services in the Grampians region to current acute cancer patients.	Implementing recommendations	Audit Grampians wide access and availability for consumer support services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase awareness of service providers in Grampians support services available. • Link to core milestone / psychosocial care and support. • Improve communications and knowledge of current delivery of psychosocial care. 	BAROC Project officer Contact GICS office (03) 5320 4782
C.S.I.P Auditing current chemotherapy protocols in the Grampians	Implementing recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit current chemotherapy protocols. • Identify gaps. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations for chemotherapy protocols • Link to core milestone, reducing variations in practice. 	Ballarat Oncology Service Project officer Contact GICS: (03) 5320 4782
C.S.I.P Workload recording for chemotherapy administration within the Grampians region.	Implementing recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify current workload recording. • Audit how data is collected 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations – Develop a standardize database. • Link to core milestone, reducing variations in practice. 	Ballarat Health Service Project Officer GICS office 53204782

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C.S.I.P Identifying the current education resource and support service in place for cancer nurses in the Grampians region.	Implementing recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify current education and support needs of nurses Identify ways to meet unmet needs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formalized education for cancer nurses. Link to core milestone, care coordination. 	St John of God Health Care Project Officer GICS office: (03) 5320 4782
C.S.I.P 2007 – 2008 “Improving access to clinical trials for cancer patients in the Grampians”	Developing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To improve access to clinical trials across a range of tumour streams To involve more than one modality of treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This project will be used as supportive evidence to secure ongoing funding for a clinical trials unit. 	Dr Geoff Chong Dr Kate Hamilton BHS (03) 5320 4322
“Strengthening the general practitioner role in integrated cancer service through care coordination”	Due to be completed April 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance use of primary care items Care coordination / multidisciplinary care coordination. 	Strengthen the role of the GP as a member of coordinated multidisciplinary team that supports cancer patients.	Michelle MacGilvray Project Office Ballarat Division GP Contact GICS: (03) 5320 4782

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"Mapping the psychosocial support services and needs of people with cancer in the Grampians region"	Due to be completed May 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service mapping of psychosocial support services available in Grampians region. • Audit utilization of services • Identify use of informal supports • Identify unmet needs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved delivery of psychosocial supporting with in the Grampians region. • Link to core milestone, reducing variations of care. 	Dr Suanne McLaren Project Officer UB Contact GICS (03) 5320 4782
"Current experiences for oncology peadiatric patients, families and staff in the Grampians region and recommendations for future"	Due to be completed in March 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit key stakeholders • Identify gaps • Identify current referral tools • Establish best practice guidelines for children with cancer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved care for children with cancer in Grampians region • Audit metropolitan children cancer units. • Streamline model of care for children with cancer 	Meryl Thomson Rachael Cousins Project Offices BHS (03) 5320 4301
" Identifying and collating state and federally funded cancer programs within the Grampians health service sector"	Developing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify and work collectively with current programs linked to service improvements • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a mast document of all link programs for GICS to link in with and learn from models in plan. 	Keryl Thomas Consumer rep 53204782

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"GICS web page developed"	Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a user friendly web site for health professionals and consumers / as requested and stakeholders and consumers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide a communication tool for information / feed back and to increase knowledge of all cancer services Grampians 	Chris Lynton-Moll UB / IT Manager Collaborative Centre for eHealth UB (03) 5327 9302
"GICS 5 year strategic plan"	Developing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an IT strategic plan for the next five years. Consult key stakeholders 	5 year strategic plan Link to core milestone – care coordination / reducing variations in care.	Chris Lynton-Moll UB / IT (as above)
Commonwealth funded projects "Supporting women in rural area diagnosed with breast cancer"	Developing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify supportive services that are currently available Inform and educate relative service providers re strategies and referral pathways. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve care of women with Breast cancer Improve provision of supportive care <p>Set up multidisciplinary supportive care network</p>	Carole Mead Sandy Anderson Project officer Women's Health (03) 5332 9477
Commonwealth Mentoring Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thoracic Oncology Neuro Oncology Head and Neck oncology 	<p>Developing</p> <p>Developing</p> <p>Developing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education Audit outcomes of patients with thoracic/ Neuro-oncology/Head & neck cancer. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase proportion of care of patients with thoracic / Neuro-oncology / Head & Neck cancer in the Grampians region. Develop data base Multidisciplinary meetings 	Project officers Dr Stephen Vaughan Ms Colleen O'Hara Contact GICS: (03) 5320 4782

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Grampians clinical reference groups 2006 ongoing Local Collaborative Tumour group (LCTG)	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical leadership • Implementation and coordinate tumour specific standards PMF's • Review audits and reports 	<p>Ongoing identification of new initiatives.</p> <p>Engage communication with key stakeholders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify service developments for tumour streams • Advocacy role <p>Identify clear referral pathways.</p>	<p>Dr Stephen Vaughan Director of GICS: (03) 5320 4782</p>
Nurses in Cancer Care NICC	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved communication across all cancer related nursing. • Identification of current gaps in cancer care. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link the 14 recommendations by the group to improvement initiatives. • Identify improvement initiatives • Decrease variations in care. • Increase awareness of local expertise and services. 	<p>Maree White Robyn McIntyre RCNC GICS 53204782</p>
Grampians Support Services Network GSSN	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify current gaps in cancer services • Identify improvement initiatives • Improve communication and networking within Grampians support services 	<p>Link the 11 recommendations by the group to improvement initiatives.</p>	<p>Maree White Robyn McIntyre RCNC GICS 53204782</p>

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Multidisciplinary Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breast • Thoracic • Head & Neck • GI • Neuro-oncology • Lymphoma 	Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Developing Developing	MDM Aims <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to multidisciplinary team • Identify needs for specific education • Clarity of guidelines • Relationship building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of current best practice • Improved patient continuity of care 	Carole Jones Multidisciplinary Coordinator GICS: (03) 5320 4782
<i>GICS Publications Related to core milestones</i> Grampians Cancer Support Service Directory Deconstructing Multidisciplinary care – “A regional perspective 2006” Principles for improving cancer care – “A patient pathway approach 2006”	Completed Completed Completed	Comprehensive list of all support services within the Grampians region. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Map total patient journey • Design work processes around patient journey • Assess and process patient outcomes • Patient participation in decision making and educative needs • Estimated demand 	Improved care coordination for cancer patients within the Grampians region Identify elements and process of multidisciplinary care.	Dr Stephen Vaughan Dr Stephen Vaughan Dr Stephen Vaughan / Colleen O’Hara

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Continuity of Care – “A systems approach 2006 ”	Completed			Dr Stephen Vaughan
The Role of ICS’s in data collection	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the role of ICS’s in data collection • High level concept of cancer data collection • Engagement of key stakeholder 	Recommendations relating to data collection	Dr Stephen Vaughan