

Alliance Update

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The alliance office has moved

The new address details are:

South Island Alliance Programme Office
Level 1, Unit 3, 585 Wairakei Road
Burnside
Christchurch 8053

The PO Box and phone numbers
remain the same:
PO Box 639, Christchurch 8140

PAS has been rebranded to SI PICS and has go-live date

The Alliance's Patient Administration System (PAS) Programme Steering Committee has chosen a new name for the programme: South Island Patient Information Care System or **SI PICS**.

PICS Executive Regional Programme Manager Nick Lanigan said the programme is endeavouring to implement SI PICS by March 2015.

Public Health Partnership's Alcohol and Tobacco work endorsed

The Boards of all five South Island DHBs have endorsed regional position statements on tobacco control and alcohol harm reduction that will now support a South Island coordinated approach on these issues.

Both documents have been developed collaboratively by the three South Island Public Health Units (PHU) of the SI Alliance's Public Health Partnership (PHP). PHP is supporting the PHUs to develop an outcomes framework and set of indicators to guide DHBs in their development of and monitoring of their Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategies.

A draft of this is due to go out for consultation with key stakeholders early in 2014.

PDRP Te Kāhui Kōkiri Mātanga coming soon

The Professional Development & Recognition Programmes (PDRP) has been endorsed by the five South Island DHBs, bringing all clinical nursing staff under one professional development system that supports a workforce that can work across boundaries, roles and location.

Te Kāhui Kōkiri Mātanga (Advancing the Skill and Knowledge of Nurses) Regional PDRP will now be a South Island wide programme working with a number of partner organisations across the DHB and industry, as well as a national programme for Department of Corrections.

Southland-based Deborah Ashworth, a leader of the PDRP SIRTH workgroup said the collaboration of DHBs standardised professional development across the region was to the benefit of nursing staff. "We have been working with the Canterbury Region to align portfolio submission processes, interim year processes, assessor nomination levels of practice and wording around line manager support."