

Auckland Region District Health Boards

CareConnect eReferrals

Moving to **100%** electronic referrals in 2015

The region's GPs have now sent close to 250,000 electronic referrals since the system went live in 2012. eReferrals are now well established and with the implementation of online triage capability at the DHBs, we are now signaling the move to full electronic referring.

This will ensure the aim of having all referrals from Primary Care delivered to hospitals through the eReferrals system is achieved and the region delivers on the improvements in patient safety, clinical decision-making and primary-secondary communications.

Two key dates to be aware of are:

75% of all primary care referrals to be electronic by 31 March 2015.

100% of all primary care referrals to be electronic by 30 September 2015.

Over the next year, we will be working closely with PHOs, General Practice, healthLink and EMR vendors to put everything in place. Included will be approaches that recognise the EMRs which are currently eReferrals compliant (Medtech and MyPractice) and also any exemptions (specific to Practices or GPs) that will need to be managed.

We will provide more detail on this in the coming months. Let us know what eReferrals information you would like to receive. Any questions/suggestions can be directed to <u>eReferrals@healthalliance.co.nz</u>

Look out for the monthly updates on http://www.eReferrals.co.nz

