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National Service Improvement Frameworks In National Health Priority Areas.

Abstract

The national health priority areas represent those conditions where significant gains can be made in improving health outcomes and reducing the cost burden of the condition. A major initiative in this area focuses on developing national service improvement frameworks to drive improvements in health services. The work will be undertaken through the auspices of the National Health Priority Action Council, commencing with cancer. Specifically each national service improvement frameworks will:

- be a high level guide for service planning and delivery for particular NHPA conditions;
- represent national consensus about aspects of care focusing on critical intervention points across the continuum of care;
- respect and position patients at the centre of care; and
- incorporate best available evidence of effectiveness.

Performance measures will also be developed to facilitate action for improvement.

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