



The Health Information Strategy for New Zealand is a plan informed and led by the health and disability sector. It provides a direction for the sector to make better decisions about how to improve the quality and availability of health information.

The Health Information Strategic Action Committee (HISAC), established by the Minister of Health in August 2005, provides governance and oversight of, and leadership for, the implementation of the strategy.

A crucial aspect of HISAC's role is to ensure the views and interests of all stakeholders, including consumers, are considered.

HISAC are holding a series of meetings during August to seek consumers' views on key eHealth initiatives currently underway and to identify ways in which there can be strong consumer input into these initiatives.

These initiatives include:

- Security of health Information
- Electronic prescribing and dispensing of medications
- Standardising clinical data
- Patient-approved transfer of medical records between GPs
- A model for the exchange of health information in New Zealand

DATES AND VENUES

Dunedin - 15 August from 2pm to 4pm
Kingsgate Hotel
10 Smith Street, Dunedin
Meeting facilitator: Jean Park

RSVP by 13 August

Auckland - 20 August from 1pm to 3pm
Auckland Conference Centre
27-33 Ohinerau Street, Remuera
Meeting facilitator: Jo Fitzpatrick

RSVP by 15 August

Palmerston North - 21 August from 2pm to 4pm
Chancellor Motor Lodge
131 Fitzherbert Avenue, Palmerston North
Meeting facilitator: Barbara Robson

RSVP by 19 August

Rotorua - 25 August from 1pm to 3pm
Princes Gate Hotel
1057 Arawa Street, Rotorua
Meeting facilitator: Eru George

RSVP by 20 August

Light refreshments will be served at the start of each session.

If you would like to attend one of these meetings please RSVP, by the date shown, to: enquiries@HISAC.govt.nz or by telephone on Wellington 816-3368.