



Cabinet Committee on State Sector Reform and Expenditure Control

Minute of Decision

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National Bowel Screening Programme Progress

Portfolio Health

On 22 March 2017, the Cabinet Committee on State Sector Reform and Expenditure Control:

- 1 **noted** that in August 2016, the Cabinet Social Policy Committee (SOC) approved the National Bowel Screening Programme (the Programme) Business Case [SOC-16-MIN-0108];
- 2 **noted** that in February 2017, SOC agreed to extend until 1 February 2018 the contingency established in Budget 2016 for the capital component of the Programme [SOC-17-MIN-0003];
- 3 **noted** the Programme progress to date:
 - 3.1 Hutt Valley and Wairarapa District Health Boards (DHB) will commence bowel screening in July 2017;
 - 3.2 Waitemata DHB will transition from pilot to national programme by end December 2017;
 - 3.3 establishment of a National Coordination Centre is progressing;
 - 3.4 four regional centres, Counties Manukau DHB and Southern DHB to be operational in second half of the 2017/18 financial year;
- 4 **noted** the complexity of the Programme implementation due to the number of inter-related components which is being managed through the phased roll-out to deliver a clinically safe, equitable, effective and high quality screening programme;
- 5 **noted** the revised roll-out approach and timing of the Programme as outlined in the paper attached to SEC-17-SUB-0016, with completion still planned for the 2019/20 financial year;
- 6 **noted** the timetable for the implementation of the national IT solution will be provided in the technology business case in November 2017 along with any contingent changes to the operational delivery;
- 7 **noted** that a progress update report on the National Bowel Screening Programme will be provided in November 2017 to align with the submission of the National IT business case;

- 8 **noted** the support the Ministry of Health has received from The Treasury, the Government Chief Information Office and the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment;
- 9 **noted** that the submission under SEC-17-SUB-0016 will be proactively released in due course, subject to any material being withheld as necessary as if a request for release had been made under the Official Information Act 1982.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Paula Bennett
Hon Steven Joyce (Chair)
Hon Amy Adams
Hon Dr Jonathan Coleman
Hon Michael Woodhouse
Hon Anne Tolley
Hon David Bennett
Hon Peter Dunne

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