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## Monthly reporting of oncology megavoltage radiation waiting times September 2007

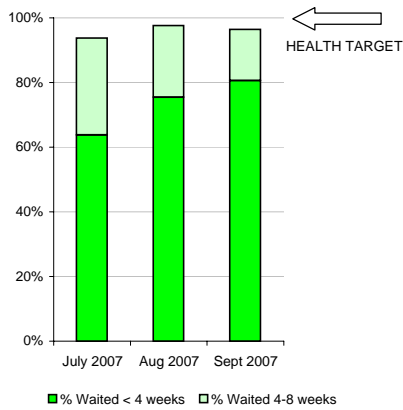
### National Summary

Priority A (Urgent) Priority B (Curative) Priority C (Palliative and other radical) Priority D (Combined chemotherapy and radiation treatment)

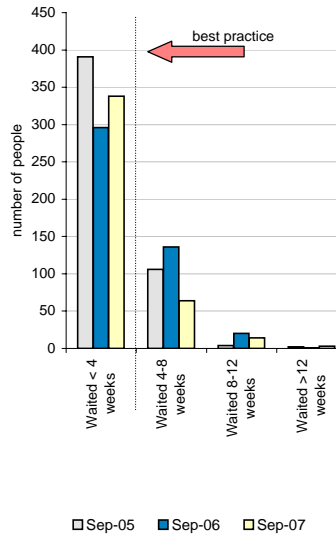
Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation		Sep-07				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	53	61	338	36	488
	Waited 4-8 weeks	0	25	64	25	114
	Waited 8-12 weeks	0	3	14	12	29
	Waited >12 weeks	0	0	3	31	34
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>665</b>
Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)						998

\* Priority C patients - waiting time information for priority C patients provides the best trend information to determine whether there are emerging problems. Priority C excludes urgent patients and Priority Ds (combined treatment) and are therefore the category most impacted by any delays

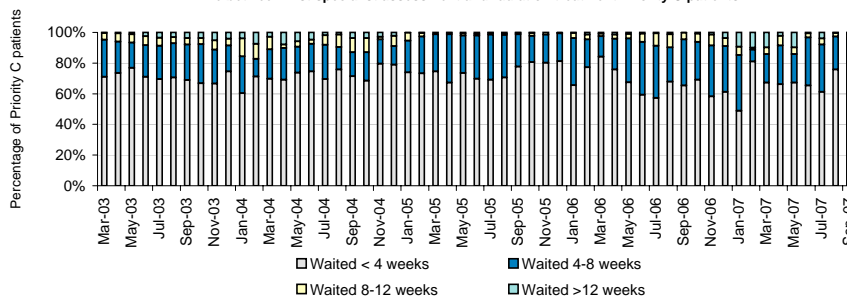
National wait times for patients in priority categories A, B & C  
HEALTH TARGET  
100% of patients treated in less than 8 weeks



National waiting times for megavoltage radiation treatment 2005 - 2007  
Time between first specialist assessment and radiation treatment Priority C patients



National waiting times for megavoltage radiation treatment  
Time between first specialist assessment and radiation treatment Priority C patients



Note: data for Oct-Dec 2006 excludes Otago cancer centre

**Auckland DHB Cancer Center Summary**

Priority A (Urgent) Priority B (Curative) Priority C (Palliative and other radical) Priority D (Combined chemotherapy and radiation treatment)

		Sep-07					
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Assessment	<b>A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment</b>						
	Assessments completed in current month (number of people)		4	194	57		<b>255</b>
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)		0.96	5.71	15.67		<b>7.87</b>
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)			22	16		<b>38</b>
Treatment	<b>B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation treatment</b>		Sep-07				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)		18	13	117	15	<b>163</b>
	<i>Waited &lt; 4 weeks</i>						
	<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>			3	16	7	<b>26</b>
	<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>					4	<b>4</b>
	<i>Waited &gt;12 weeks</i>				2	15	<b>17</b>
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)			3.16		11.85	<b>4.04</b>
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)		<b>8</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>406</b>
	<b>C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment</b>		Sep-07				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)		18	13	117	9	<b>157</b>
	<i>Waited &lt; 4 weeks</i>						
<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>			3	16	11	<b>30</b>	
<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>					3	<b>3</b>	
<i>Waited &gt;12 weeks</i>				2	18	<b>20</b>	
<b>Total</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>210</b>	
Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)		<b>0.03</b>	<b>3.16</b>		<b>13.66</b>	<b>4.4</b>	

### Waikato DHB Cancer Center Summary

Priority A (Urgent) Priority B (Curative) Priority C (Palliative and other radical) Priority D (Combined chemotherapy and radiation treatment)

Assessment	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Assessments completed in current month (number of people)	8	23	51	15	97	
Average wait from referral to assessment (days)	1	7	13	43	15	
Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)	0	21	54	14	89	

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation treatment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	12	19	64	16	111
	Waited 4-8 weeks	0	0	2	3	5
	Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
	Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)	0.07	1.2	1.7	3	1.7	
Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)	0	12	23	6	41	

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	7	14	27	2	50
	Waited 4-8 weeks	0	2	20	4	26
	Waited 8-12 weeks	0	1	7	6	14
	Waited >12 weeks	0	0	1	5	6
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>96</b>
Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)	0.46	3.01	4.76	10.06	5.08	

### MidCentral DHB Cancer Centre Summary

Priority A (Urgent) Priority B (Curative) Priority C (Palliative and other radical) Priority D (Combined chemotherapy and radiation treatment)

Assessment	I. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Assessments completed in current month (number of people)					100	
Average wait from referral to assessment (days)					11	
(people)					69	

Treatment	II. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation treatment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	2	5	28	3	38
	Waited 4-8 weeks	0	3	8	7	18
	Waited 8-12 weeks	0	1	4	2	7
	Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	2	2
Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)	0	4.7	3.3	9.2		
Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)	0	13	80	77	170	

Treatment	III. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	2	0	23	1	26
	Waited 4-8 weeks	0	6	8	4	18
	Waited 8-12 weeks	0	3	8	5	16
	Waited >12 weeks	0	0	1	4	5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>65</b>
Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)	0	6.6	6.2	10.7		

**Capital and Coast Cancer Centre Summary**

Priority A (Urgent) Priority B (Curative) Priority C (Palliative and other radical) Priority D (Combined chemotherapy and radiation treatment)

		Sep-07					
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Assessment	<b>I. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment</b>						
	Assessments completed in current month (number of people)	<b>94</b>					
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)						
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)	<b>5</b>					
		Sep-07					
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatment	<b>II. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation treatment</b>						
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)						
	<i>Waited &lt; 4 weeks</i>	7	7	35	1	<b>50</b>	
	<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>		3	17	1	<b>21</b>	
	<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>			9	1	<b>10</b>	
	<i>Waited &gt;12 weeks</i>			1	6	<b>7</b>	
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)						
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)	<b>133</b>					
			Sep-07				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	<b>III. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment</b>						
	Treatments started in current month (people)						
	<i>Waited &lt; 4 weeks</i>						
	<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>						
	<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>						
<i>Waited &gt;12 weeks</i>							
<b>Total</b>							
Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)	average is 13 days The range is 0 to 26 days						

### Canterbury DHB Cancer Centre Summary

Priority A (Urgent) Priority B (Curative) Priority C (Palliative and other radical) Priority D (Combined chemotherapy and radiation treatment)

Assessment	I. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment (includes both Medical					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Assessments completed in current month (number of people)						
Average wait from referral to assessment (days)						
Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)						

Treatment	II. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation treatment (includes all referrals for radiation treatment, not just from FSA).					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatments started in current month (number of people)						
<i>Waited &lt; 4 weeks</i>	5	15	49	0	69	
<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>	0	9	28	1	38	
<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>	0	0	1	2	3	
<i>Waited &gt;12 weeks</i>	0	0	0	11	11	
Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)						
Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)					176	

Treatment	III. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatments started in current month (people)						
<i>Waited &lt; 4 weeks</i>						
<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>						
<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>						
<i>Waited &gt;12 weeks</i>						
<b>Total</b>						
Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						

### Otago Cancer Centre Summary

Priority A (Urgent) Priority B (Curative) Priority C (Palliative and other radical) Priority D (Combined chemotherapy and radiation treatment)

Assessment	I. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Assessments completed in current month (number of people)	4	9	31	4	48	
Average wait from referral to assessment (days based on 7 day week)	5	16	23	23		
Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)					0	

Treatment	II. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation treatment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatments started in current month (number of people)						
<i>Waited &lt; 4 weeks</i>	4	4	34	0	42	
<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>	0	1	8	0	9	
<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>	0	0	1	1	2	
<i>Waited &gt;12 weeks</i>	0	0	0	2	2	
Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)	0	3.29	3.29	16.29		
Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)	0	8	28	32	68	

Treatment	III. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment					
	Sep-07					
	Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
Treatments started in current month (people)						
<i>Waited &lt; 4 weeks</i>	4	1	20	0	25	
<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>	0	4	12	0	16	
<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>	0	0	7	1	8	
<i>Waited &gt;12 weeks</i>	0	0	4	2	6	
<b>Total</b>	4	5	43	3	55	
Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)	0.71	5.57	6.57	19.57		