

Monthly reporting of oncology megavoltage radiation waiting times

Auckland DHB Cancer Centre 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	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assessments completed in current month (number of people)					240
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)					6.8
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)					0

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation treatment	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	10	23	104	22	139
	<i>Waited < 4 weeks</i>					
	<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>		1	27	8	36
	<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>			2	5	7
	<i>Waited >12 weeks</i>				15	15
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)	0	3.3		8.6	8.1
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)	1	14	113	101	229
Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	10	22	101	2	135
	<i>Waited < 4 weeks</i>					
	<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>		2	30	8	40
	<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>			2	5	7
	<i>Waited >12 weeks</i>				15	15
	Total					197
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)	0	3.3		8.7	8.2

No information supplied for the month of June

Waikato Cancer Centre 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	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assessments completed in current month (number of people)	8	22	40	7	77
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)	1	10	32	68	
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)					119

Treatment	treatment	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	11	13	43	2	69
	<i>Waited < 4 weeks</i>					
	<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>	0	1	8	4	13
	<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>	0	0	2	2	4
	<i>Waited >12 weeks</i>	0	0	0	2	2
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (days to May 03 - weeks from June 03)	0.1	2.9	2.29	7.5	
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)	2	6	38	7	53
	Notes 1. The figures above for patients starting treatment and include retreats 2. The totals for average waiting time are currently not available					
Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	4	0	5	0	9
	<i>Waited < 4 weeks</i>					
	<i>Waited 4-8 weeks</i>	0	8	9	1	18
	<i>Waited 8-12 weeks</i>	0	1	9	1	11
	<i>Waited >12 weeks</i>	0	0	6	1	7
	Total	4	9	29	3	45
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)					7.72

Notes :

1. The above is in respect of those starting treatment whole had an FSA - on average 25% of treatments are retreats

These are not included in the above

2. As D categorised patients are in fact protocol and as such the wait is defined through the protocol these can have an effect on the average wait time from referral to treatment figure reported.

1 Patient domicile DHB = Bay of Plenty

Assessment	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assessments completed in current month (number of people)		2	5	15	2	24
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)		2	8	35	85	
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)						39

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	2	5	12	1	20
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	1	2	0	3
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	0	1	1
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Average wait from assessment to treatment (days to May 03 - Weeks from June 03)		0	3.44	2	7.2
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)		0	1	10	1	12

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	3	0	2	0	5
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	3	2	1	6
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	3	1	4
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	1	0	1
		Total					
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						6.17

Note 1. Figures for patients starting treatment and include retreats

2 Patient domicile DHB = Lakes

Assessment	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assessments completed in current month (number of people)		0	6	3	2	11
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)		0	10	43	72	
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)						22

Treatment	treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	2	3	13	0	18
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	0	1	2	3
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	2	2
		Average wait from assessment to treatment (days to May 03 - weeks from June 03)		0.2	2.66	1.54	9.6
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)		1	2	7	0	10

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	1	1	0	2
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	1	1	0	2
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	2	0	2
		Total					
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						10.1

Note 1. Figures for patients starting treatment and include retreats

3 Patient domicile DHB = Waikato

Assessment	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assessments completed in current month (number of people)		6	11	22	3	42
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)		1	10	27	55	
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)						58

Treatment	treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	7	5	18	1	31
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	0	5	2	7
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	2	1	3
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Average wait from assessment to treatment (days to May 03 - weeks from June 03)		0.12	2.5	2.96	5.56
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)		1	3	21	6	31

7	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	1	0	3	0	4
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	4	6	0	10
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	5	0	5
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	3	1	4
		Total					23
Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						7.2	

Note 1. Figures for patients starting treatment include retreats

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	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment		Jun-03				
			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	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	3	10	62	4	79
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	3	12	3	18
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	1	7	8
		Waited >12 weeks	0	3	3	12	18
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)						
Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)		0	3	47	34	84	

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks					
		Waited 4-8 weeks					
		Waited 8-12 weeks					
		Waited >12 weeks					
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						

Capital and Coast DHB Cancer Centre 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		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assessments completed in current month (number of people)						68
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)						
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)					13	

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	5	11	22	1	39
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	3	10	0	13
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	10	3	13
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	5	5
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)						
Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)		0	7	81	32	120	

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks					
		Waited 4-8 weeks					
		Waited 8-12 weeks					
		Waited >12 weeks					
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						70

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	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assesments completed in current month (number of people)					102
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)					0
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)					124

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation	Jun-03					
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	6	0	33	0	39
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	15	17	6	38
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	3	9	3	15
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	7	6	13
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)						
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)					169	

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment	Jun-03					
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks					
		Waited 4-8 weeks					
		Waited 8-12 weeks					
		Waited >12 weeks					
	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	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assesments completed in current month (number of people)	0	0	0	0	67
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days based on 7 day week)					12.9
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)					25

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation	Jun-03					
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	2	5	42	0	49
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	1	15	1	17
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	1	0	1
		Waited >12 weeks	0	3	1	5	9
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)					2.7	
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)	0	3	26	6	35	

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment	Jun-03					
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	2	3	35	0	40
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	3	16	1	20
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	6	1	7
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	2	0	2
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)	2	6	59	2	69	
						4.5	

Notes: 1 patient delayed start of treatment for 347 days from referral.

Another patient's start of treatment was delayed 129 days for healing.

Another patient waited 60 days between referral and FSA for further tests to be completed

1 Patient domicile DHB = Otago

Assessment	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment	Jun-03				
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assesments completed in current month (number of people)					
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)					9
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)					

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation	Jun-03					
		Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total	
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	0	3	33	0	36
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	0	9	1	10
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	1	0	1
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)					2.4	
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)	0	2	7	1	10	

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	0	1	26	0	27
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	2	13	1	16
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	4	0	4
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Total	0	3	43	1	47
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						3.7

2 Patient domicile DHB = Southland

Assessment	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assesments completed in current month (number of people)						0
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)						24
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)						

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	1	2	6	0	9
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	1	6	0	7
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	1	0	1
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)						3.7
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)		1	14	4	4	19

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	1	2	6	0	9
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	1	3	0	4
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	2	0	2
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	2	0	2
		Total	1	3	13	0	17
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						7.1

3 Patient domicile DHB = Canterbury

Assessment	A. Numbers waiting for first specialist assessment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Assesments completed in current month (number of people)						0
	Average wait from referral to assessment (days)						6
	Number of people waiting for assessment at month end (people)						

Treatment	B. Time between the first specialist assessment and the start of radiation		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (number of people)	Waited < 4 weeks	1	0	3	0	4
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
	Average wait from assessment to treatment (weeks)						1.7
	Number of people with completed assessments waiting for treatment at month end (people)		0	0	5	1	6

Treatment	C. Time between receipt of referral and the start of radiation treatment		Jun-03				
			Priority A	Priority B	Priority C	Priority D	Total
	Treatments started in current month (people)	Waited < 4 weeks	1	0	3	0	4
		Waited 4-8 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Waited 8-12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Waited >12 weeks	0	0	0	0	0
		Total	0	0	0	0	0
	Average wait from referral to treatment (weeks)						2.6