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# CHRONIC DISEASE PROGRAM IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

SOUTH AUSTRALIA CONTRACTS SMART HEALTH FOR ONLINE CHRONIC DISEASE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD PROJECT.

Together with the Clinical Services teams at Royal Adelaide and Women's and Children's Hospitals in Adelaide work has started on a shared Electronic Health Record project with a focus on the respiratory disease, Cystic Fibrosis. The program is based on a business case prepared for a "proof of concept" for patients treated at the two hospitals.

Smart Health Director Jon Hughes said "Shared EHRs is an objective of all health departments in Australia and we expect this implementation to be the best operating examples in the country over the coming months complementing our other interstate implementations."

The project uses the same technology implemented by Smart Health with Bayside Health in Victoria for respiratory disease information management and that is also being used for other condition and chronic disease management now in public health in four states in Australia.

The objective of the project is to improve patient safety, medication management and clinician efficiency by making relevant patient clinical data available where it is needed, at the point of care. This program will, for the first time in Australia, based on patient and clinician consent, enable highly secure interstate sharing of clinical data for patients with Cystic Fibrosis that may go, for example, to the Alfred Hospital in Melbourne for specific treatment without having to carry large paper clinical history files. In another iteration of the technology patients with end stage renal disease can now travel to dialysis sites that use Smart Health and their dialysis prescription and other records are available securely online to enable safe treatment and open up new mobility possibilities for these dialysis machine dependant people.

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