Environmental

Priority Areas for Improvement

- Upgrade the kitchen facilities in the following hospitals Regional Maternity, Regional Orthopaedic, Ennis General Hospital.
- Improve the management of car parking facilities on all sites
- Replace existing oxygen storage and emergency backup supply system MWRH
- Pursue policy of medical device standardisation across acute hospital sector
- Development of policy and implementation practice of Major Emergency Plan

Quality Improvement Plans

Quality Improvement Plans	Reference	Cross Reference	Date	Progress
Continue to develop electronic equipment planning system.	2.1		Jan 2004 Ongoing	
Training re use of Incident Report Forms.	2.7		Feb 2004	
Mandatory infection control training for relevant staff commences on one site.	4.1		March 2004	Ongoing in Ennis
Incorporate policy on medical device standardisation in MWHB Supply Management Policies and Procedural Guidelines.	2.2		March 2004	Completed
Initiate a 12 monthly look-back review of purchased equipment.	2.1		March 2004	
SSD practice to hold manufacturers instructions	2.2		April 2004	
Upgrading of kitchen facilities in Croom.	1.2		May/ June 2004	Completed July 2004
Upgrading of Kitchen facilities in Regional Maternity	1.2			Plan approved. Funding awaited
Emergency Escape Plan and access routes being put in place on all sites	2.3		May 2004	Contractors on self- contained sites have been so informed
Plan to extend retail services in MWRH	1.3		May / June 2004	Present Contract extended to December 2005
Tender for car parking management for MWRH - Committee established Jan 2004 – outcome to undertake complete survey of traffic flow on parking facilities for the purpose of specifying solution plan.	1.2		June 2004	Tender Documentation Prepared
Quality Improvement Plan Additional 80 space car park and traffic control system	1.2			Tenders received approval awaited to commence
Replace existing oxygen storage and emergency backup supply system MWRH	2.40		June 2004	Completed
Revised waste management specifications taking into account recycling	6.2		June/ July 2004	
Complete way finding exercise for evacuation	5.2		June 2004	Main Concourse; Photographic Study of colour coded waying completed
Ongoing Major Incident Medical Management and Support (MIMMS) and hospital MIMMS Training for relevant staff	5.1		2004	Frank
Auditing of all smoke-free policies on each site and vehicles operated by	1.4		2004	Ongoing

the organisation)				
Auditing of staff awareness of policy and support services available	1.4		2004	Ongoing
New STARS Incident Reporting Policy	3.3			Training deferred
Development of Infection Control Guidelines ongoing revision	4.7		2004	Ongoing
Discuss standardisation of auditing Infection Control tools at Regional Infection Control Meetings	4.10		2004	Discussion Stage
Auditing of all suitable signage in all sites during 2004	1.4		2004	Helen Cunneen
Discuss standardisation of auditing Infection Control tools at Regional Infection Control Meetings	5.2		2004	
Continue to issue detailed submissions to DoH&C for funding for DCP projects – implement as funding is secured during 2004	1.1		2004	In Progress
Plans to implement Health Strategy actions – action 93, 99	1.2			In Progress
Standardised forms for new equipment are being developed (planned for use in 2004)	2.1		2004	mrrogress
All new developments and refurbishments will meet requirements of "Access for all"	1.2			Agreed
Plans for the extension for the additional of one new theatre, 3 delivery suites and a new extended admissions unit – awaiting funding approval from DoH&C	1.2			To be completed March 2005
New maternity development to include ventilation system to theatres.	1.3			To be completed March 2005
Develop active feedback system from clients during 2004 through the establishment of consumer panels.	1.4	L&P 1.1		
All new tenders will include the requirement to have the serial number and the spare parts records recorded on the invoice.	2.2			
Appoint Design Team for ODCP for Ennis pending approval from DOHC	2.3			ODCP Completed
Any shortfalls in utility supports to be highlighted in multi-annual report and submitted to DOHC	2.4		Ongoing	
SARI and CIDR submissions have gone to the DoH&C for funding.	4.1			
Plan for advanced HACCP training of catering staff during 2004	4.3			Completed in MWRH by all relevant catering staff. (One member due to commence in April)
Assistant Fire and Safety Officer appointed to progress programme of mandatory fire and safety training for staff	5.2		2004	Ongoing
Plans to expand reuse recycle policy following completion of pilot.	6.2		2004	
Plan to upgrade one toilet in main concourse to wheelchair accessible in MWRH	1.3		Sept-04	Helen Cunneen
Propose to prepare plan to extend patient liaison and external consultation by MWRH. Set up focus group	1.1	L&P 1.1	Dec-04	
User groups to be formed re approved list of cleaning chemical agents	2.1		Dec-04	
Computerize fault reporting procedure in technical services in one site	2.1		Dec-04	
Review and Update Regional Materials Function Standard Operating Procedures	2.1		Dec-04	
Waste compound in MWRH	6.2		Dec-04	Completed
Plan to relocate Public Health Laboratory – May 2005	1.3	4.1	May-05	In Progress
Process flow evaluation on all sites followed by agreed streamlining of MEP processes	5.5	4.1	May-05	III FIOGIESS
New Ventilation SSD Nenagh on order	4.2			

New Ventilation SSD Ennis planned for 2006	4.2	2006	
Improve stock holding of medical and surgical items at ward level	1.2	2004	Ongoing
through introduction of modular storage systems.			