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Data submission

Thank you to all project teams for the timely submission of IMRR data to NPS. The timely submission of very clean data has enabled the early distribution of the Follow-up IMRR Reports.

Follow-up IMRR Reports

Reports were sent to all project leads on Tuesday 29th of September. Please take the time to review these results and compare with those previously reported at baseline. There have been some fabulous improvements, exemplified in the results for NSW for which all project teams should be congratulated.

DMACS Claims for Funding

Claims for reimbursement of funds have been feeding through after the distribution of the letter detailing the claims for funding - sent to all project leads in August. The details specified and supporting documentation delivered with the claims have improved tremendously and are enabling a faster turn around time with fewer complications. Thank you.

Presentation of DMACS Baseline Results at AAQHC

In September Kate Oliver presented the some of the key findings from the baseline results of DMACS to an international audience at the Australasian Association for Quality in Health Care Conference. The presentation was well received with questions and comments- particularly around education on risk factor modification advice and medications, along with referral to secondary programs were hot topics for delegates present.

DMACS Timelines

November 2nd

Evaluated GP Survey data for the follow-up phase of the project are due from NPS; NSW TAG to circulate to local project leads.

November 11th

Final submission of follow-up patient telephone surveys to NPS.

December

Feedback Presentations due to be delivered to local project teams for further feedback to clinicians.

Article of Interest:

A recent article published in the Medical Journal of Australia, Acute coronary syndromes: consensus recommendations for translating knowledge into action. MJA Vol 191 No. 6, 21 September 2009 was authored by some of the members of the project committee eg Assoc. Professor David Brieger and discusses how some aspects of ACS management are being tackled to help improve adherence to ACS guidelines and improve patient outcomes.

DMACS Website:

www.nps.org.au/dmacs

(user name and pass word required)

To do list:

-Continue collection of Follow-up Patient Telephone Surveys

- 9/11/09 Final date for submission of patient telephone survey data to NPS

-Return Data Collection Log- Follow-up Data to NSW TAG (see the DMACS website for the pdf version of this document)