

## What information is on an Enterprise Discharge Summary?

The following information can be included in an Enterprise Discharge Summary:

- Patient information
- Facility
- Referred By
- Patient's Usual General Practitioner
- Episode Details
- Reason for Admission/Presenting Problems
- Principal Diagnosis
- Other Active Problems
- Inpatient Clinical Management & Complications
- Procedures Performed
- Medications at Admission
- Medications at Discharge
- Medications Ceased This Admission
- Allergies
- Alerts
- Follow up Arrangements
- Recommendations to GP
- Care Plan Summary
- Discharge Summary Recipients
- Pathology\*
- Medical Imaging
- Significant Other Investigations.

\* When received electronically Pathology will be reduced to investigations performed only and not include investigation results

## In which hospitals will EDS be implemented?

Stage One of the EDS application has been piloted at The Townsville Hospital and Redcliffe Hospital since May 2007.

Stage Two of the project will see the application implemented into 47 facilities by September 2009. These facilities include the following hospitals and their associated district facilities:

- Gold Coast Hospital
- Cairns Base Hospital
- Toowoomba Hospital
- Ipswich Hospital
- Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital
- Royal Children's Hospital
- Nambour Hospital
- Hervey Bay Hospital
- Maryborough Hospital
- Townsville Health Service District identified facilities.

### More information

For more information contact your local Division of General Practice or the EDS Project directly.

#### EDS Project

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# Enterprise Discharge Summary

*Information for General Practitioners*



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## What is an Enterprise Discharge Summary?

An Enterprise Discharge Summary (EDS) is a comprehensive computerised and legible patient discharge summary.

The summaries are able to be electronically distributed securely to General Practices who register to receive them electronically.

## What are the benefits for General Practices?

- Comprehensive
- Legible
- Secure, electronic distribution
- Discharge summary sent directly to clinical software

## What does a General Practice need to do to receive Enterprise Discharge Summaries electronically?

To receive discharge summaries electronically a General Practice must first be electronically enabled. Electronically enabled means Queensland Health can securely communicate to General Practice systems.

To be electronically enabled a practice needs to have a:

- Location/site certificate (formally known as HeSA Certificate)
- Messaging provider
- Clinical software

**Location/site certificates** contain digital keys and digital certificates to decrypt and read electronic Discharge Summaries. Messaging provider HealthLink do not require a Medicare issued location certificate.

For more information about Location Certificates visit

[www.medicareaustralia.gov.au](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au)

**Messaging providers** enable EDS to be sent securely to a General Practice. Examples of messaging providers are Medical Objects, HealthLink and Argus.

For a free subscription to a messaging provider contact your local division of General Practice.

**Clinical software** is the software EDS is delivered to. Medical Director 2 and 3, Best Practice, Genie, Practix and Plexus all work with EDS.

If a practice receives pathology results electronically the practice may already be enabled.

## How does a practice register for electronic distribution of EDS?

Once a practice is enabled the practice needs to register with Queensland Health to receive EDS electronically.

To register contact the EDS Project. Contact details are on the back of this brochure.

## How is Enterprise Discharge Summary sent securely?

Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) is a set of procedures and technology that provides security and confidentiality for electronic business and is supplied by Medicare Australia.

This technology allows your practice to know:

- who sent the message (authentication)
- the message content has not been altered in any way between sending and receiving (integrity)
- who created and distributed the message (non-repudiation), and
- that the only person the message is directed to can open it (confidentiality).

For more information about PKI visit [www.medicareaustralia.gov.au](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au)