New Zealand Cancer Action Plan 2019–2029

Overview

Tēnā koutou katoa,

We are seeking your feedback on the New Zealand Cancer Action Plan 2019–2029 (PDF, 1.5 MB) (the Plan).

The Ministry of Health has engaged with a number of cancer-sector stakeholders in the development of the Plan.

The following questions about the Plan are designed to help you prepare your feedback. Not all areas of the Plan will be included in the questions as:

- the Ministry will or has already engaged some sections through a separate process
- the action is already underway and engagement is not needed
- we are consulting some sections in other ways.

What feedback are we seeking?

We will be using the feedback to inform the final plan. We would like to know:

- if you think the plan includes the right actions to improve cancer outcomes in New Zealand
- if you have feedback on any other cancer areas that need to be considered.

Who are we seeking feedback from?

We are seeking feedback from all New Zealanders, particularly people who are affected by cancer and their family/whānau, and all those involved in cancer from prevention, early detection, diagnosis, treatment and care after treatment.

How can you provide feedback?

You can provide feedback via the Ministry of Health consultation hub using the online survey.

When do we need feedback by?

Please provide your feedback and comments about the plan by 13 October 2019

Please note, you do not have to answer all the questions.
Please include or cite relevant supporting evidence in your submission, if you can.

You are also welcome to provide any other feedback on the plan (refer to question 21).

Moving forward together

The New Zealand Cancer Action Plan 2019–2029 (the Plan) is for all New Zealanders affected by cancer. The Plan enables New Zealand to work collaboratively with the sector to prevent cancer and improve detection, diagnosis, treatment and care after treatment.

The final plan will be a living document to ensure our focus and efforts stay targeted and relevant to the needs and aspirations of all New Zealanders.

1 Do you agree with the four outcomes proposed in the Plan? (page 10–11)

Please select only one item

☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, please explain why.

2 Do you agree with the key areas within each outcome? (page 12)

Please select only one item

☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, please explain why.
3 Do you think the actions in the Plan will achieve equitable health outcomes for the priority populations identified? (ie, Māori, Pacific peoples, people living in rural and/or low socioeconomic areas, people with a mental illness and disabled people)

*Please select only one item*

- Yes
- No

If not, what suggestions do you have about how we can do this?

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4 Are there any other actions that should be included?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes
- No

If yes, please explain what and why.

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5 Are there other aspects in the prioritisation framework that need to be considered?

*Please select only one item*

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If yes, please explain further.
6 What three actions across the entire Plan do you think should be progressed first?

Please note the bolded actions (page 13) are not included in this question as they are already being progressed.

Action one

Action two

Action three

Outcome 1: New Zealanders have a system that delivers consistent and modern cancer care (page 15–27)

New Zealanders need a high-quality cancer care service now and into the future. To continue to lift our performance in cancer care we need to consider how to structure, resource and use the best information to deliver cancer care.
7 Do you agree with the approach for creating a system that delivers consistent and modern cancer control?

*Please select only one item*

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

If no, please explain why not.

8 Do you think the actions under ‘Health Workforce’ will address the current issues?

*Please select only one item*

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

If no, please explain why not.
9 Are there any further actions required to ensure New Zealand has strong leadership and governance in cancer control?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes  
- No

If yes, please explain further.

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Outcome 2: New Zealanders experience equitable cancer outcomes (page 28–32)

In Aotearoa New Zealand, people have differences in health outcomes that are not only avoidable but unfair and unjust. This section considers different approaches and providing different resources to achieve equitable health outcomes.

10 Are there any other actions that should be added or removed from Outcome 2?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes  
- No

If yes, please explain what and why.

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11  Do you think developing and implementing a mātauranga Māori framework and Māori led programmes could achieve equitable health outcomes?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes  - No

If not, please explain why not.

12  Do you think the actions in the section, ‘achieving equity by design’ will ensure equity is at the forefront when developing cancer services?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes  - No

If not, please explain why not.
Outcome 3: New Zealanders have fewer cancers (page 33–44)

Preventing cancer is without a doubt the best strategy for controlling cancer as well as reducing inequities. It is estimated that around 40 percent of health loss from cancers is potentially preventable.

Outcome 4: New Zealanders have better cancer survival (page 45–62)

Surviving cancer is highly dependent on early diagnosis and an overall system that can respond in a timely and appropriate way.
15 Are there any other actions that should be added or removed from Outcome 4?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes  
- No

If yes, please explain what and why.

16 Do you think enabling people with the knowledge, skills and confidence to use cancer health information will ensure they have a better understanding of the early signs and symptoms of cancer?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes  
- No

If not, please explain why not.
17 To get the best outcome, it may require travelling away from home to access specialist services. What support needs to be considered for someone who receives treatment for cancer away from their home or whānau?

18 Does the Plan address ways to improve patient experience of cancer services?

Please select only one item

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If no, please explain what and why.
19 Do care plans need to be developed to meet the holistic needs of patients and families/whānau?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes
- No

If no, please explain further.

20 Does the Plan address access to follow-up and surveillance for recurrence, late effects and new cancer post treatment?

*Please select only one item*

- Yes
- No

If no, please explain what and why.
21 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the plan or cancer generally?

Your details

You are encouraged to fill in this section. The information you provide will help the Ministry analyse your feedback to inform the final New Zealand Cancer Action Plan 2019–2029. There will also be a summary of the feedback provided and this can be emailed to you. Your submission will still be accepted if you do not fill in the below section.

This submission was completed by:
Name

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Town/city

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Organisation (if applicable):
Position (if applicable):

Ethnicity:

Please select all that apply

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If you selected other, please state.

This submission:

Please select only one item

☐ is made by an individual or individuals (not on behalf of an organisation nor in their professional capacity)
☐ is made on behalf of a group or organisation(s)

If you are submitting as an individual or individuals, please indicate which category best describes you.

Please select only one item

☐ Consumer  ☐ Family/whānau  ☐ Member of public  ☐ Clinician  ☐ Nurse
☐ Allied health professional (scientific and professional)  ☐ Support staff
☐ Researcher  ☐ Manager  ☐ Other

If you selected other, please specify.
If you are submitting on behalf of a group or organisation, please indicate which sector(s) your submission represents.

*Please select all that apply*

- Primary and community health services
- Pacific provider
- Iwi provider
- Rural provider
- Mental health provider
- Disability provider
- Secondary/tertiary provider
- Advisory group
- Non-governmental organisation
- Private provider
- Other

If you selected other, please specify.

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**Summary of submissions**

If you wish to be notified when a summary of submissions is available, please ensure your contact details are provided above and tick the box below.

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**Publishing submissions and privacy**

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