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Dear Colleague

## **DELAYED DISCHARGE 2 YEAR ACTION PLANS**

Now that we have jointly agreed new targets for patients awaiting discharge from hospital for 2006-07 and 2007-08, it will be necessary to reflect these changes in revised Local Joint Action Plans. Shaun Eales' letter of 23 February gave full details of the new targets and the reasoning behind them. The new targets are as follows:

- ◆ For 2006-07
  - to reduce all delays over 6 weeks by 50%
  - to free up 50% of all beds occupied by delayed patients in short-stay beds
- ◆ For 2007-08
  - to reduce to zero patients delayed over 6 weeks
  - to reduce to zero those delayed in short-stay beds.

I would welcome revised Local Joint Action Plans. These should cover the **two year** period 2006 to 2008 and detail the initiatives that are to be put in place to reach the new zero targets. A template is attached at Annex B and completed plans should be sent to [isla.boyter@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:isla.boyter@scotland.gsi.gov.uk) by Friday 30 June 2006.

The additional funding for delayed discharge detailed at Annex A will be released on receipt of acceptable Joint Action Plans.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



**BRIAN SLATER**

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**Proposed allocation of resources for 2006-07**

<b>Partnership</b>	<b>Funding</b>
Argyll and Clyde	2,505,000
Ayrshire and Arran	2,266,000
Borders	654,000
Dumfries and Galloway	943,000
Fife	1,961,000
Forth Valley	1,537,000
Grampian	2,633,000
Greater Glasgow	5,320,000
Highland	1,335,000
Lanarkshire	3,121,000
Lothian	3,931,000
Orkney	121,000
Shetland	128,000
Tayside	2,326,000
Western Isles	219,000

## Local Joint Action Plans for 2006-2008


### Targets

- ◆ By April 2007
  - a. Reduce delayed over 6 weeks by 50%
  - b. Reduce delays in short-stay (Acute) beds by 50%
- ◆ By April 2008
  - c. Zero delays over 6 weeks
  - d. Zero delays in short-stay beds

List the measures you will put in place between April 2006 and April 2008 to:

1. Reduce delays over 6 weeks to zero by April 2008
2. Reduce the number of delays in short-stay beds to zero by April 2008
3. Prevent unnecessary emergency admissions
4. Speed up assessment process and discharge planning
5. Ensure resources are available to fund care home and domiciliary care
6. Ensure quarterly sustainable reductions are made

Lead Responsibility	Project title	Description	Anticipated Outcome	Cost
		Please include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What impact it will have</li> <li>• Who will benefit and how</li> <li>• What data is collected and how often</li> <li>• Key risks to achieving satisfactory outcome</li> </ul>	See 1 – 6 above	

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