NATIONAL HEALTH AND HOSPITALS NETWORK - NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT ON IMPROVING PUBLIC HOSPITAL SERVICES

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

SCHEDULE E – NEW SUBACUTE BEDS GUARANTEE FUNDING

Project number:	19
Hospital/Location (not area health services generally)	Various (see below)
Project Description	**Purchase of subacute services from the private/not for profit sector** Private and not for profit service providers form a significant part of the health care sector and are very responsive to fluctuations in service demand. Queensland Health will enhance its existing partnership with the following services to expand the provision of subacute care: ***St Vincent's Brisbane*** Queensland Health will purchase a range of subacute services including rehabilitation, Geriatric Evaluation and Management and palliative care. Services will be provided in admitted and non-admitted settings. Patients would be referred to St.Vincent's Hospital Brisbane from Acute Public Hospitals, thus reducing the pressure on acute and subacute hospital beds. ***Not for profit providers of Palliative Care*** Queensland Health will expand the purchase of community based palliative care services from the not for profit sector mainly in the SE Qld region. Currently Queensland Health has service agreements with a number of service providers. These arrangements will provide the following bed equivalents: **2011-12** / **2012-13** / **2013-14** 20 / 20 / 20 Please note: • Subacute care services including rehabilitation, palliative care, and geriatric services are provided in accordance with the

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<tr><td></td><td>definitions use in the National Health and Data Dictionary Version 15 and include care provided via a multi-disciplinary team with regular assessments against a plan that is working towards negotiated goals within indicative time frames.

• The estimated bed equivalents totals are cumulative. That is, that by year four of the NPA, the total additional bed and bed equivalents funded by the IPHS NPA and provided by the private and nongovernment sector will be 20.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Relationship with other Commonwealth or state funded activities</td><td>As stated above, this initiative is an expansion of existing partnerships Queensland Health has with the private/not for profit sector</td></tr>
<tr><td>Expected improvement as a result of this project</td><td>The increased provision of sub acute beds across the state will provide the following benefits:

• Patients able to access subacute care closer to their home (particularly for patients in rural/regional areas)
• Increase flow of patients through the hospital system (particularly for acute patients waiting for the availability of subacute beds/services)
• Provide patients with appropriate, medical specialist driven care
• Reduction in functional decline, particularly for patients who are a risk (i.e frail aged) thereby improving post hospital outcomes and reducing potential re-admission.
• Access to online geriatric assessments for rural and remote areas without specialist geriatrician support.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Estimated Cost</td><td><table>
<tr><td></td><td>2010-11</td><td>2011-12</td><td>2012-13</td><td>2013-14</td><td>Total</td></tr>
<tr><td>St Vincent's Brisbane</td><td></td><td>$2.91m</td><td>$2.91m</td><td>$3.62m</td><td>$9.44m</td></tr>
<tr><td>Not for profit palliative care</td><td></td><td>$1.5m</td><td>$1.5m</td><td>$1.5m</td><td>$4.5m</td></tr>
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<tr><td>Estimated Start Date</td><td>2011-12</td></tr>
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