

Quality & Safety

It has been over a year in the making/preparing and now we are just one month away from our hospital accreditation. Most of the hard work is essentially complete and we have turned our attention to preparing the staff for the site survey. Senior management has been out in the units conducting mock tracers for the Required Organizational Practices, and our staff development team have been working through the standards with a different theme each week to raise awareness and ensure the staff are supported and prepared. The survey team is experienced and detail oriented, so we are expecting the review to be rigorous.

Our management team has been thoroughly preparing for Accreditation and I am very proud of the work they have done to ensure we are ready!

People and Partnerships

The board would have seen that we have consolidated our Cardio Department to the Perth site. While the volume of services does not justify service at both sites, the move has liberated space to house our new Radiologist. Tom can speak to the specifics of the candidate, but the move was an important one to ensure we have the medical resources needed to match the rising demand of the department.

Finance and infrastructure

The update of our x-ray capabilities is under way. We have brought back our MRI project manager, David Price, to assist our management team in the replacement of two x-ray units. The funds for the project have been supported by an anonymous donor and, barring supply chain issues, the hospital will be in a position to accept the first patient on both machines before the fall.

Our back-office project (ERP) is nearing the completion of the "discovery phase" which is focused on assessing the best options and approach for implementing our ERP systems. We will be meeting with the vendor and MMC, to review the options and will be planning a briefing note for the Board prior to a request for budget approval. The board will be reminded that the original draft budget for the project is \$2M, which was set in 2017, and based on a simplistic view to replace the few and limited Meditech modules in use.

Our recommendations to the Board will provide for a full implementation of what the hospital actually needs, along with the phasing that will likely be required to complete the project.



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