

Acute Plan

Collaborative Care supports people with complex health conditions to work together with a range of health providers to plan how their health care is delivered.

One of the ways this is achieved is by using shared care plans which can be created, viewed or edited through HealthOne or Health Connect South.

What is an Acute Plan?

An Acute Plan provides information to health providers unfamiliar with a patient who may present with exacerbations of their underlying complex health conditions. The patient consents to the sharing of this information and may be involved in writing the plan. This allows the sharing of information that supports safe, effective, patient-centred decision making with regard to assessment, management and discharge.

What information does an Acute Plan include?

Information in Acute Plans can be a simple alert to other clinicians about specific risks or needs or may contain a more detailed treatment plan, discharge check list or summary of patient specific wishes and requirements in the event of an acute exacerbation of a chronic condition (s).

Community and hospital care providers – including doctors, nurses, or allied health – may create, view or edit Acute Plans. This means the information within the plan can be kept up to date.

When and how to create an Acute Plan?

Completing an Acute Plan is recommended for patients with moderate to high risk of attending acute services over the next 12 months.

Creating an Acute Plan usually takes around 10 to 30 minutes, depending on complexity. Click directly on the **care planning icons** on the patient front page in **Health Connect South**. Refer to HealthPathways or Hospital HealthPathways if you need additional information about process and funding options.

Acute Plans and other shared care plans have been developed and supported by Collaborative Care within Canterbury Clinical Network. If you have questions about care planning please contact info@ccn.health.nz