



Most Utilised Modules

Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) Screening, CVD Management and Diabetes Annual Review are the most utilised of the *bestpractice* Decision Support modules nationally. Use of the INR Monitoring module in the management of patients on warfarin therapy is steadily increasing.

CVD Management

The **CVD Management** module is designed for patients requiring additional management. The module calculates 5-year CVD Risk and then progresses to decision support for the management of this risk. NZGG recommendations are interpreted and applied to support the clinical judgement of the health practitioner.

CVD Quick Screen

The **CVD Quick Screen** module is designed to screen your eligible population. This module auto-populates factors relating to clinical risk/additional risk while requiring a minimal amount of clinical data to be entered to calculate a cardiovascular risk.

The module also enables providers to record information relating to smoking status and cessation support to facilitate PHO Performance Programme smoking indicators reporting.

Diabetes Review

The **Diabetes Annual Review** module provides up to date clinical support for health professionals in managing patients' diabetes. Recommendations for prevention and treatment of diabetes complications are offered based on a patient's clinical results and calculated cardiovascular risk. Much of the information required in conducting the annual review is pre-populated from the patient management system allowing a health professional to rapidly determine which details need updating and recording. Recommendations for management are then customised for each patient.

INR Monitoring

The **INR Monitoring** module utilises a formula developed by Ryan et al which assists clinicians to adjust oral anticoagulant doses in patients. It also recommends the time interval for the next follow up visit and prints a Patient Dose calendar if required. This module enables you to maintain electronic tracking of all patients on warfarin therapy.

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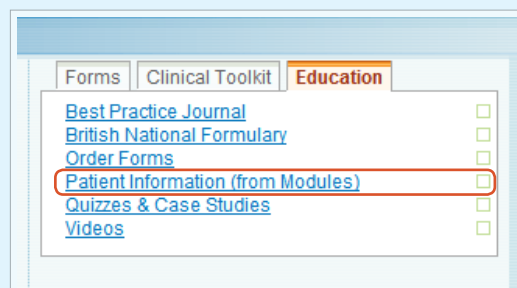
Your Heart Forecast tool

The **Your Heart Forecast Tool** has been integrated with *bestpractice*. The tool is automatically populated from data extracted from the practice management system and/or entered by the clinician in *bestpractice*.

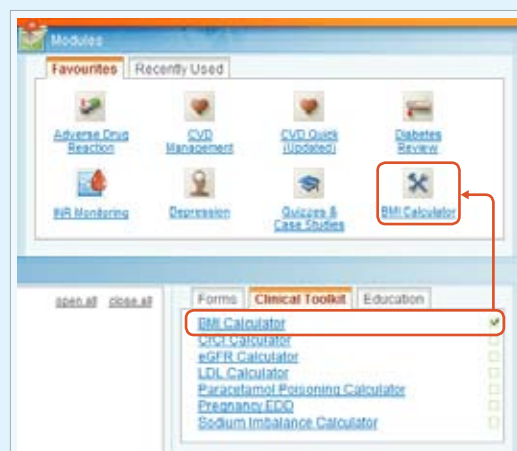
The Your Heart Forecast tool was designed by Drs Sue Wells and Andrew Kerr, at the University of Auckland, and is supported by the Heart Foundation, to help doctors communicate cardiovascular risk to patients.

Tips & Tricks

As a result of user feedback, **Patient information leaflets**, previously only available within the appropriate modules, have been made accessible under the Education tab on the *bestpractice* Main Menu.



Ticking the box beside a module will add that module to your **Favourites** list.



Feedback

Please address any comments or queries about any aspect of *bestpractice* to **DSFeedback@bestpractice.org.nz**. Your comments are appreciated and help us to improve our service to you.

Usage Statistics - Top 10 Modules for September 2011

1. Patient Prompt	6. INR Monitoring	Total modules run in September 2011: <h1>54,322</h1>
2. Diabetes Review	7. ACC 18 Form	
3. CVD Quick Screen	8. Smoking Cessation	
4. CVD Management	9. Compr. Health Assessment	
5. e-Referral System	10. Kessler 10	

Regional News

e-Referrals System

Many PHOs and DHBs have commissioned *bestpractice* to develop electronic solutions. The **e-Referrals System** (ERS) was launched in the Waikato DHB in 2009. To date this year, ERS has been used to process 27,435 referrals.

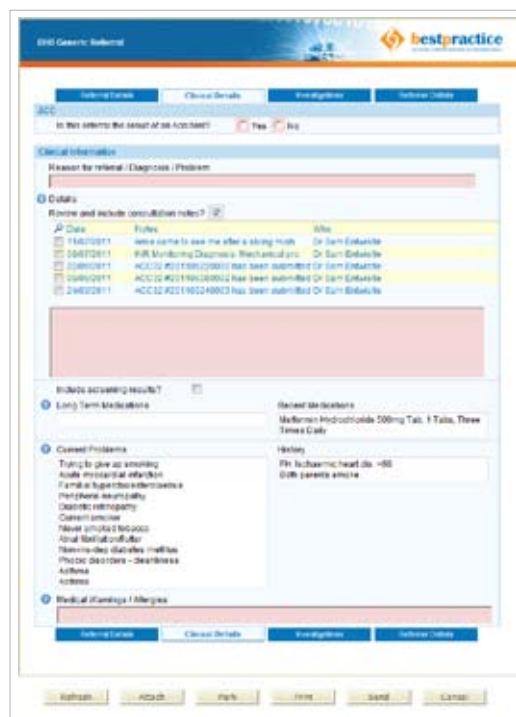
ERS is accessed from *bestpractice* via an icon on the MedTech toolbar. It is designed to electronically transmit all referrals from General Practice to Secondary services. The referral permits the selection of appropriate consult notes, screening and labs for transmission as well as document attachment. The GP transmits it directly to the relevant department and receives an electronic acknowledgement.

Southern PHO Clinical Programme Dashboard

Another project underway is the **Southern PHO Clinical Programme dashboard**.

It is designed to identify if the patient is eligible for a funded programme, to provide relevant clinical information and to electronically submit for payment.

Both the e-Referrals System and the Clinical Dashboard have message boards so the GP can perform their own tracking and auditing.



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For the richest source of information about all aspects of *bestpractice* Decision Support, visit the *bestpractice* website. There you will find:

- Information about what *bestpractice* is and how it can help you.
- Latest news about *bestpractice*.
- A list of currently available modules with descriptions of their functionality.
- Application screenshots.
- Frequently asked questions (FAQ) and tutorials.
- Podcasts (coming soon).

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