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MDS Phase 2

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Welcome to the WRHA MDS (Minimum Data Set) Phase 2 Project

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This update is designed to keep you informed of recent developments with the MDS Phase 2 Project and to provide heads-up information on what to expect next.

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MDS Project Update Care Manager 8.6/MDS2.0 v 6.2

Along with the Phase 2 sites the MDS/Care Management projects are in full swing with the non-prop site upgrades. Luther Home leads the way for the "Care full" site upgrades and is live this month with the latest version! The remaining Carefull sites will complete the upgrades by April 2007! The Care Express upgrades will follow amongst the Phase 2 sites over the next 18 months! Accommodating all site training with our Momentum and RAI trainers for all 40 sites requires a big coordination effort & some 'fine tuning' to the training and go live schedules. Over the next two weeks each site will be contacted to discuss your site schedule.

MDS Phase 2 Prop site updates:

Cabling and Networking:

- MTS is ready to begin the installation of their products that will provide the high-speed network connections from each PCH to the WRHA corporate data centre
- Site visits have begun at the first three sites (Heritage Lodge, Oakview and Kildonan) to allow detailed planning of the network and electrical wiring required at each PCH
- Walk-throughs allows the project team to create a detailed network and electrical design, followed by the physical installation in each facility

Design:

- The requirements gathering for the desktop and laptop computers has just about wrapped up. These requirements form the basis for the design. This 'design' refers to the "look and feel" or "customization" for how Microsoft Windows looks to each user and, addresses key issues such as security

- The PC's (Personal Computer's) to be deployed by the MDS Project are using the latest technology and are very responsive. We expect them to provide the users with a very "snappy" response time as they use the Momentum applications

Product Selections / Ordering:

- Approximately 70% of this projects PC's will be desktops, 30% will be laptops
- The selected desktop PC's will provide users with large, thin, bright, easy-to-read screens and large keyboards
- The first units were ordered and have arrived - they will be used in the training lab
- The desktop PC's have a very small 'footprint' on a users desk and only take up about the same space as a laptop computer does
- Laptops will be used in locations where the PC needs to be frequently moved to accommodate user needs

Training:

- Windows Skills Assessments training is recommended prior to Care Management, MDS and RAI training. The schedule for the next six month is being published. We are arranging courses to be given at a number of locations around the city for PCH staff convenience.
- Directors of Care will be notified with the staff members requiring either entry level or intermediate training. Maura Kenny will forward schedule details shortly!

Non-Prop (Not for Profit) PCH Care Express Upgrades:

The MDS Upgrade project is underway! The scope of the project includes the 24 Non-Prop Personal Care Homes (PCHs) that were part of the MDS Phase 1 project. The project goals are to upgrade the existing Care Lite / MDS software in use at these homes plus replace some of the network components to greatly improve connection reliability to the WRHA Data Centre.
The project is in the Planning stages now and implementation will occur throughout 2007 and 2008 tentatively starting in April 2007. All sites affected will be contacted well in advance to ensure they are ready.

The **Kick-off** to the Upgrade project is ***Feb 7, 2007 from 9am - 11am in Room NA105 - Isabel M. Stewart Bldg (HSC*)**. All Upgrade sites are welcome to attend to find out more about the project. Team members will be on hand to answer questions. If you have any questions about this project at any time please contact the **Project Manager - Chris Ashley 787-8924.**

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RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS for Phase 2 sites

- IBM site walk throughs for wiring underway.
- Windows Training schedule completed for next six months.
- RAI/Momentum Integrated Training Schedule review and final revision to include non-props upgrade training as well as the Care fulls sites. Momentum to publish training schedule for all sites week of January 15, 2006.
- Phase 2 Test environment testing underway
- Site Requirements near completion
- Second MDS/Care Management Application Administrator hiring underway
- Steering Committee Meeting Jan 15, 2007

Major Milestones/ Schedule

February/March 2007:

- Finalized training and golives dates for all sites available and published.
- Windows Training session (Entry level and Intermediate) training and sign up for next six months.
- Test/Dev environment testing and environment set-up complete
- Production environment testing & Production environment set up ready
- Heritage site environment set-up (user id's, ADT set-up) commences
- Luther Home Carefull upgrade training completed
- Other Care full sites training and go lives -completed April 2007.

Please contact **Shelley Kern** via email skern@deerlodge.mb.ca or at 831-3454 with questions or comments related to the MDS Phase 2 Project or this newsletter.

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Steering Committee Meetings:
January 15, 2007
February 12, 2007