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NEW COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR WIMMERA HEALTH CARE GROUP

Wimmera Health Care Group will change over to a new patient management system this weekend.

Chief Executive Chris Scott said that during the changeover process, staff will need to collect some patient information manually. "Whilst every attempt has been made to ensure a smooth transition with minimal disruption to patients, people may experience some delays over the next few days."

"This is a one-off situation for Wimmera Health Care Group. We have had the old system since 1993 and its time to change over to a new improved system to take us into the future."

"This is a significant investment by the health care group as part of the State-wide HealthSMART platform. Other agencies in the region implemented the system last week."

"As people will understand, this is a major undertaking for Wimmera Health Care Group and is placing considerable demands on our staff. We trust that people will be understanding and patient throughout the process and we sincerely apologise for any inconvenience that they may experience over the next few days" he said.

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