

**LANARKSHIRE NHS BOARD MEETING
26 JULY 2006**



DELAYED DISCHARGE – POSITION AT 15 JULY 2006

NHS Lanarkshire had 51 delayed discharges at 15 July 2006. This represents an increase from the previous month but remains below the delayed discharge target of 66 achieved at 15 April 2006. The calculation was based on the criteria applied during 2005/06.

Further discussions have taken place with the Scottish Executive on the format and content of future reporting of delayed discharges in line with the revised targets to be achieved by 15 April 2007 to reduce all delays over six weeks by 50% and to free up 50% of all beds occupied by delayed discharge patients in short term beds. Recent agreement on the detail of this will enable the new reporting of delayed discharges to commence in August 2006. Reporting will also include information on Adults with Incapacity.

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