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The Brunei health system strategic plan – Restructure the primary care system to manage non – communicable disease and maintain universal access

Like most health systems in the world, Brunei is challenged by the increase in utilization caused by non-communicable diseases. Early analysis showed that the continued escalation of disease burden and related costs (financial and social) were undesirable and unsustainable. The Innova Group developed a plan that spans 20 years with 89 separate initiatives that are prioritized for to maximize the impact to the country's challenges. They address the whole of the six sectors of health care including the Service Delivery System, Human Resources, Health Care Finance, Pharmaceuticals and Technology, Health Care Information Systems and Governance. The most significant series of proposals within the plan include a broad restructuring of the primary care delivery system to proactively manage the health of the population, reduce avoidable admissions, change traditional access patterns to manage costs and maintain universal access. The projected positive impacts from the plan include significant savings in government expenditures, drops in the level of expensive episodic care, drops in the level of inpatient utilization, reduction in the rate of human suffering and lost productivity of the people of Brunei. This presentation will present an overview of these innovative initiatives and their proposed outcomes. The Innova Group was hired as a consultant to prepare a comprehensive health system and healthcare infrastructure master plan to align with the countries goals for Vision 2035. The Innova Group began their work in October of 2012 and completed the work in the Spring of 2014.

Biography

Peter Donald Trice, a Founder and Vice President of the Innova Group, has spent more than 30 years developing his expertise in healthcare planning. As an industry leader in the integration of new concepts in healthcare strategy and clinical operations into hospital and health system design, his passion is finding creative data driven solutions to current obstacles to the delivery of effective healthcare. He is dedicated to improving the quality of care worldwide, project by project. His recent work has been in the Middle East, Latin America, the United States, Mainland China, Viet Nam, Singapore and most recently Brunei.

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