

Minutes of the Meeting of the Members of the
Community and Public Health Advisory Committee of the Counties Manukau District Health Board
Held at 19 Lambie Drive, Manukau City
Tuesday 31 August 2004 at 1.00 p.m

Present: Mr Paul Cressey (Chair), Mr Brent Morrissey(until 3.45pm), Mr Don Barker, Ms Yvonne Waterreus, Seiuli Dr Juliet Walker, Mr Peter Didsbury(from 1.15pm), Mr Alan Johnson, Ms Jenny Prince, Ms Miria Andrews, Dr Charles Small

In attendance: Mr Chris Mules, Mr Allan Moffitt, Mrs Janine Pratt, Mrs Alice Ropata (secretary)

Apologies: Mr Bob Wichman, Mrs Bernadette Pone, Mrs Nganeko Minhinnick

Absent: Ms Airini Tugerangi, Mr Eru Thompson

1. Welcome

The meeting was opened by Mr Paul Cressey at 1.00pm who welcomed committee members and the two members of the public that were present.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr Bob Wichman, Mrs Bernadette Pone and Mrs Nganeko Minhinnick.

Moved: Ms Yvonne Waterreus **Seconded:** Dr Charles Small

3. Presentation – Mr Stephen McKernan (1.15pm)

Dr Stephen McKernan presented a ‘snapshot’ look at the achievements of CMDHB for 2003/04 and the priorities for 2004/05. A copy of the presentation is attached as per the Committee’s request. Mr Cressey thanked Mr McKernan, on behalf of the CPHAC, for his presentation and moved for a vote of appreciation to the DHB and all connected with it on the positive results achieved in 2003/04.

Moved: Mr Paul Cressey **Seconded:** Mr Brent Morrissey **Carried:** Unanimously

4. Minutes of the previous meeting (27th July 2004)

Resolution:

The minutes of the meeting of CPHAC held on Tuesday 27th July 2004, having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

Moved: Ms Yvonne Waterreus, **Seconded:** Dr Charles Small **Carried:** Unanimously

5. Procedural Issues

There were no procedural issues requiring discussion.

6. Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda

There were no matters arising.

7. CPHAC Priorities: Development

Oral Health Update (1.45pm)

Ms Sue Dashfield and Ms Kirstin Lindberg attended to answer the Committee’s questions re their Oral Health Update. Ms Dashfield reported that the new mobile dental caravan will be officially launched this week after a month of successful regional advertising involving newspapers, radio and television. The mobile caravan is equipped with two complete dental therapy units and will be available for use at all schools and pre-schools in the South Auckland region.

A review of school dental services is currently underway with results expected in October. At present approximately 50% of schools have dental clinics. The Committee asked for a breakdown of these figures at the next CPHAC meeting.

Mr Alan Johnson requested that the CPHAC advocate for better access for adults to oral health services. He raised the concern that because the oral health of South Auckland low income adults is unaffordable, it is neglected. The result of which can lead to related illnesses such as rheumatic fever and some coronary diseases. Mr Johnson appealed that oral healthcare should be as readily accessible to all people as other health services and suggested that funding for this should come from central government via Vote: Health or perhaps Vote: Social Welfare.

The Committee **noted** Mr Johnson's comments.

Recommendation

It is recommended that CPHAC **note** and **receive** the update, and **note** that the draft Oral Health Plan will be presented to CPHAC at a later date.

Moved: Mr Paul Cressey

Seconded: Dr Juliet Walker

Carried: Unanimously

Diabetes Update – Presentation from Paul Stephenson (2.00pm)

Mr Paul Stephenson spoke about the 10 emerging areas of focus for the Diabetes Project. He reported that meetings have been held recently with Maori and Pacific Island community stakeholder groups to gain insights into how best to get the Diabetes message across. The outcome of these meetings has shown that these Maori and Pacific Island community groups are enthusiastic and willing to take responsibility for the Diabetes Project and the question is how to support this community leadership.

Mr Stephenson emphasised that the success and sustainability of the programme will rely on strong governance and leadership and that leadership roles might not necessarily be held within CMDHB.

Mr Chris Mules also reminded CPHAC that the Diabetes Project is a Counties Manukau Plan that will engage multiple agencies, not a Counties Manukau DHB plan. He also stated that a funding pool for community initiatives will be created and managed by the Project Steering Group.

Mr Stephenson also reported on recent meetings with the MoH and the Food Industry which were positive. He invited the Committee to attend the Diabetes Summit on 27 October 2004.

The Chair thanked Mr Stephenson for his report and attendance.

Draft Primary Care Workforce Development Plan (2.40pm)

Dr Allan Moffitt tabled the draft CMDHB Primary Health Care Workforce Development Action Plan and distributed copies to all present. He reported to CPHAC on the workforce issues for CMDHB concerning GPs, Public Health Nurses, Pharmacists and Rural Workforce. This item will be placed on the next CPHAC agenda for any comments about the report.

Recommendation

It is recommended that CPHAC **receive** the report.

Moved: Mr Paul Cressey

Seconded: Mr Don Barker

Carried: Unanimously

8. For Information

Primary Care Radiology Update (3.00pm)

Mrs Jenny Pooley and Dr Graeme Anderson reported on the achievements of the Community Radiology Service for 2003/04. In particular, the service had increased its output to 89% of the set contract, a 15% increase from 02/03. CT scan waiting lists have been reduced by 40% with no waiting lists beyond 6 weeks. Another highlight was the creation of a 7 –day radiology advice line. Services are also open until 8pm and an urgent service is offered.

Mrs Pooley reported that in terms of human resources, the service is in a strong position because of an active recruitment program. There are currently no sonographer vacancies which has been a key factor in reducing waiting times for ultrasound scans.

Dr Anderson reported that there is a focus now on improving the availability of results, and also encouraging PHOs to improve the quality of their written referrals.

Mr Peter Didsbury thanked the Community Radiology Service for focusing on the referrals.

The Chair acknowledged the good work of the Community Radiology Service and moved that a vote of thanks and congratulations be given by CPHAC.

Moved: Mr Paul Cressey

Seconded: Mr Don Barker

Carried: Unanimously

9. Additional Maori Health issues not already covered in the agenda

No items

10. Additional Pacific Health issues not already covered in the agenda

- **Pacific Corrections Officers**

- Concerned at the lack of resources available particularly for their clients in the region

- **WINZ Pacific Wave Strategy**

- Look at upskilling for their client. Seiuli Dr Juliet Walker suggested that CMDHB should be aligned in this strategy so that WINZ look to upskilling in the Health workforce as well as other areas

11. Monthly Reporting

- **Board Update and Board Minutes (Paul Cressey)**
- Stephen McKernan presented 2003/04 highlights to Board
- Whanau room at Middlemore Hospital discussed – needs repairs
- Board requested numbers of electives be presented, rather than just volumes
 - **Board Committees**
- Reports were provided on key topics covered
 - **Primary Health Care Update**
 - Palliative Care: concerns expressed by two Hospice providers in our area at the level of funding provided to them by CMDHB. Unfortunately, because of the population age, palliative care is not a priority for the DHB, however, CMDHB has offered a 1.5% increase to the hospices.
 - GPHO: Engagement level is very high with a number of key activities on its work programme.

Note: The committee **received** this update.

3.45pm Mr Brent Morrissey left the meeting

- **Mental Health Report**
 - Housing: A joint venture with HNZC and Pathways Trust will provide a number of houses for CMDHB MH consumers yearly over the next five years.

Note: The committee **received** this update.

- **Priority Initiatives Update**

Note: The Committee **received** this report. A detailed report will be provided to next meeting.

- **Meningococcal Update**

Note: The Committee **received** this report.

- **CPHAC Work Programme**

Note: The Committee **received** this report.

Resolution

The Committee resolved that the public and media be excluded from discussion on the financial report and risk register, (OIA s 9(2)(i), Standing orders Schedule 2 cl 2(g)) to enable the carrying out of commercial activities.

Moved: Mr Paul Cressey

Seconded: Mr Don Barker

Carried: Unanimously

9. There was no general business

The meeting closed at 3.45pm.

The next meeting of CPHAC will be Tuesday 28 September 2004 at 1pm at 19 Lambie Drive, Manukau City.

Signed as a true and correct record on the 28th day of September 2004

Chair: Mr Paul Cressey

The minutes of the meeting of the Community and Public Health Advisory Committee of Counties Manukau District Health Board of 31 August 2004 are approved.

Recommendation (moved Mr Brent Morrissey / seconded: Don Barker)

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