

Minutes of the Disability Support Advisory Committee

Of the meeting held on Monday 14 August 2006, 1.00-4.00pm at Boardroom, Lambie Drive.

1. Present:	<p>Mrs Jillian Dooley (Chairperson), Ms Denise Ewe, Mr Don Barker, Ms Heather Grace, , Mr Bill Mudgway, Ms Miria Andrews, Mr Vaughan Dodd,, Mr Ezekiel Robson, Ms Chris Ellis, Mr Malcolm Wara</p> <p>In attendance: Mr Chris Mules Ms Jenni Coles, Ms Subha Srinivasan (secretary)</p>	
Apologies:	<p>Mr Pat Snedden, Prof. Sir John Scott, Mr Bob Wichman, Mr Mike Cohen,</p> <p>Resolution: Note the apologies received.</p> <p>Moved: Mr Bill Mudgway Seconded: Mr Don Barker Carried: Unanimous</p>	
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2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:	<p>Resolution: The minutes of the meeting of DiSAC held on Monday 12th June 2006, having been circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.</p> <p>Moved: Ms Chris Ellis Seconded: Ms Miria Andrews Carried: Unanimous</p>	
3. Matters Arising:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that pilot Disability Awareness training was conducted in July - Representation from MCC Disability group will be invited to October meeting - Update on Facilities Modernisation Project will be provided at October meeting - Regional DiSAC meeting to consider submission to Select Committee was held on 10th August. 	
4. Procedural Issues	<p>Disclosure of Interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To include Interest Register with agenda. <p>Membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome to Malcolm Wara representing Mana Whenua. - Noted that 1 PHAC representative will be finalised at next PHAC meeting. 	

<p>5. Webhealth Healthpoint Community Panel</p>	<p>Update by Tony Kake – CMDHB Community Liaison Manager</p> <p>Webhealth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Webhealth was launched in May 2005. Other localities where this is available is Waikato, Taranaki, Lakes. - The main purpose is to provide access to information and services. - As this is a local service, emphasis on community ownership and local input to meet the needs. - In terms of quality and accuracy of information, providers are accountable for their own information and the DHB is responsible for the quality/integrity of the information. - The information is available 24/7 through the internet – also available through kiosks, internet cafes, work and home. - In reviewing Webhealth Counties Manukau, feedback is being sought from consumers and partnering with other agencies to widen the scope of information available. - DiSAC input is sought to ensure that disability community needs are met. <p>Healthpoint</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Healthpoint is a website that provides relevant information to people referred to CMDHB provider arm services. - 75% GPs within CMDHB area are registered to use this for referral information. 41/47 services are now live over 8 locations. The average duration of visit is 4.5 minutes which indicates visitors to the site are accessing specific information. - Healthpoint won an award in the “excellent in the use of IT in Health” for 2005 – Computer Excellence Awards. <p>Community Panel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Community Panel consists of 15 community members all residing in Counties Manukau. This group was formed in November 2005 to advise CMDHB. It isn’t a substitute for community consultation/engagement. - This group aims to bring community perspective in developing DHB plans, policies, publications and wherever the panel considers input is important. <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concerns re access to kiosks for visually impaired and persons in wheelchair to be considered. - Tony to attend meeting for an update in December - Feedback/ideas for the website can be forwarded to Tony through the DHB office. 	
<p>6. Update from HR</p>	<p>Disability Coordinator role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted the role has been advertised, 4 applications received and all of them will be interviewed. 	

	<p>Disability Responsiveness Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that 2 sets of training were piloted in July by two different providers. - The DHB has an agreement to fund 6 lots of training, and still investigating options of distance/individual learning and supported learning from home. - It was noted by Ms Heather Grace and Mr Ezekiel Robson who attended the training that it focussed on the big-picture, historical perspective and provided information on background, de-institutionalisation etc. But the training didn't have any direct impact in that there wasn't role-play, no checklist of best practice. - It was clarified that it is more relevant to contextualise the background/historical perspective to how the health system works now. - It was also noted that one of the training providers (Lorna Sullivan) has a background in the disability and health sector and is ideally positioned to deliver the training. - It was suggested it is important to shift the focus from strategic perspective to operational. - Feedback will be sought from those who attended the training to find out how relevant/useful it was and use this feedback in further discussions. - It is also planned to schedule two more training sessions before Xmas. - Helen McCann to be invited to next DiSAC for a discussion on how to balance the training to include both strategic and operational aspects. 	
<p>7. Monthly Report</p>	<p>Ms Jenni Coles provided an update on the DAP monthly report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Jenni Coles clarified that the development of Disability Action Plan has been informed by community consultation. - Ms Coles noted that anything missed out for 06/07 actioned needs to be considered for inclusion for 07/08. DiSAC can provide the steer/direction in developing the disability components of DAP for 07/08. <p>Discussions on what reporting streams to be included for the 07/08 DAP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If generic, need to determine activities/work streams to track progress against the actions. - Important to align with the principles of strategic intent and DAP. - Steer from DiSAC on priorities for 07/08 based on progress achieved for 06/07 and priorities not achieved. - Request that they should incorporate parts of Maori Health Plan. - In responding to queries/concerns that Maori Health seems to have dropped from the priorities, Mr Mules clarified that the disability related actions referred to 	

	<p>have been extracted from the CMDHB 06/07 DAP, hence the outcomes appear generic, not ethnic-specific.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Mules also noted there isn't a Maori Disability Action Plan as it wasn't identified as a priority by Pou. But DiSAC can take the view that work needs to be done around Maori disability, and accordingly liaise with POU about this leading to planning for 07/08. - Mr Mules also clarified that the Maori Health Plan is a comprehensive plan that has specific priorities and include a range of health issues. - Mr Vaughan Dodd noted that in engaging with Maori it is important to include whanau in assessing disability needs from cultural perspective - Noted the ongoing discussions with MSD around the uptake of disability allowances in Counties Manukau. Action is focused on increasing awareness among GPs as they are the gatekeepers on this. <p>Discussions on the Outcomes</p> <p>Improve Community Well Being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that the planning for pandemic planning went through Community Panel. An update on pandemic planning specifically relevant to disability community to be provided at next meeting. - The Committee has requested presentations from different services so they are better informed to make decisions. - Noted consultation is planned towards the end of next year seeking ideas on priorities for the next 5 years. - Noted that in terms of providing feedback to the community re the DSP, a DVD is being developed and copies of the DSP are being printed. The community will be invited to forums to share the information and the DHB's commitment to the direction. There will be specific forums for the disabled community. - Noted that it is important to ensure that organisations of disabled people are involved in future consultations. - Noted that information sharing forums on the DSP will also be scheduled to be held at Marae. <p>Improve child and youth health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that Nettie Knetsch, GM KidsFirst will be invited at a future meeting to present on this. It was also noted that the DHB has a Youth Health Plan. <p>Reduce Health Inequalities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that a Disability Auditor has been employed as a contractor. An audit tool is being used to evaluate issues around access in the hospital. The auditor will then propose remedial actions and work with engineering to ensure this happens. Janet Haley and Gaylene Gaffney will be invited to speak at a future meeting. - The Disability Coordinator role will focus on the 	
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	<p>development of HR policies and enhancing the disability responsiveness training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentations from Senior Managers on their services and their actions on disability responsiveness. <p>Improve health sector responsiveness to individual and family/whanau need</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that continuous input to ensure all existing and new facilities are accessible for the disabled. - Noted that voice in elevators for visually impaired is being explored. - In response to Mr Vaughan Dodd's query on staff awareness and attitude to guide dogs being allowed access to the hospital for visually impaired patients, it was clarified there is no policy on this at present. - Noted that the Pacific Disability Plan is being driven by the MoH. Manase Lua to be invited to a future meeting to provide an update. <p>Improve the capacity of the health sector to deliver quality services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increased awareness among staff through training. 	
8. For information only		
9. General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A workshop was coordinated and held on 11th August to discuss the regional submission for the Select Committee enquiry on Disability services. Noted that one combined regional submission would be presented. It was clarified that a combined submissions is better as it carries more clout. Lisa Gestro from ADHB will collate all the information discussed and e-mail it to the group. This will then be circulated to this committee for feedback. - Noted that Mike Cohen is keen for a rep from this committee to join the DiSAC at Waitemata DHB which meets quarterly on the 3rd Wednesday at different locations, meeting times 11.00am to 1.00pm. Please advice Jillian if keen to attend. 	
Adjournment:	The meeting closed at 4.00pm	
Next Meeting:	Monday, 9th October , 1.00 to 4.00pm, Boardroom, 19 Lambie Drive	
Signed as a true and correct record on the 9 th October 2006		
Chair: Ms Jillian Dooley		
<p>Resolution</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting of the Disability Support Advisory Committee of Counties Manukau District Health Board of 14th August 2006 are approved.</p> <p>Moved: Mr Phil Beilby Seconded: Ms Miria Andrews Carried: Unanimous</p>		