

Minutes of Meeting of the Pacific Health Advisory Committee  
held in the Boardroom, 19 Lambie Drive  
on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2005

**Present:** Anae Arthur, Mr Pat Snedden, Mr Sefita Hauoli, Mrs Roine Lealaiauloto, Mrs Bernadette Pone, Ms Malia Hamani, Mr Nuku Rapana, Ms Jillian Dooley

**Apologies:** Mr Paul Cressey, Seiuli Dr Juliet Walker, Ms Bernedette Pereira, Mr Nuku Rapana and Mrs Roine Lealaiauloto for lateness

**In attendance:** Mrs Rachel Enosa-Saseve, Ms Subha Srinivasan (Secretary), Mr Tony Kake, Ms Amanda Dunlop

**1. Apologies**

Apologies received from Mr Paul Cressey, Seiuli Dr Juliet Walker , Ms Bernedette Pereira, Mr Nuku Rapana and Mrs Roine Lealaiauloto for lateness

**2. Minutes of last meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> March 2005**

The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and approved with no amendments.

Moved: Mr Nuku Rapana

Seconded: Ms Malia Hamani

**3. Matters Arising**

**4. Procedural Matters**

**Membership**

- Noted that Reverend Tavake Tupou has indicated his wish to resign from the PHAC due to time constraints.

**Resolution**

Recommend to the Board that Rev Tavake Tupou's resignation be accepted

Moved: Mr Arthur Anae

Seconded: Ms Malia Hamani

**Disclosure of interest**

- None.

**Future Meetings**

- As discussed at the last meeting, it was agreed that the next PHAC meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> May will be held in the community. The preferred venues are the Telstra Clear centre (the Body Odyssey is being held during this time) or the Otara Music and Arts Centre.
- Confirmation of the venue will be sent to the Committee members.

**5. Committee update**

**HAC**

- It was noted that a communication is being finalised to advise patients and GP's that they are being taken off the hospital waiting lists.
- It was noted that negotiations are occurring with staff in relation to pay rates. Management have been asked to investigate and analyse the lowest and highest salary with a view to exploring staff wellness.

## **CPHAC**

- It was noted that Ms Malia Hamani and Seiuli Dr Julie Walker have been confirmed as PHAC representation on CPHAC

## **DiSAC**

- Noted that Mrs Bernedette Pone and Mrs Roine Lealaialoto have indicated their interest to represent PHAC.

### **Resolution**

That the Board approves PHAC nomination to DISAC as follows:

- Mrs Bernedette Pone
- Mrs Roine Lealaialoto be accepted

## **6. Presentation**

### **District Strategic Plan and District Annual Plan update**

- Tony Kake, Community Liaison Manager provided an update on the DSP (District Strategic Plan) process.
- Noted this project has entered the consultation phase – this is the phase the community will be invited to comment on the current health gain priorities and service development priorities.
- This will be facilitated through workshops, focus groups, written/verbal submissions and the media. Newspapers and radio will be used extensively to engage the community. PHAC members will be engaged to encourage strategic level debate.
- Tony tabled some of the key themes identified as part of the consultation and issues specific to Pacific people.
- It was noted that in order to achieve constructive and positive community participation, it is important to re-visit the use of words like “obesity”.
- Discussions around the issue of economics/affordability to visit GPs which results in people accessing the hospitals more frequently. Noted that this was addressed a couple of years ago with more PHO services being made available for the Pacific community – perhaps the community needs to be made aware of this.
- Noted there will be a “Weight Management Focus Group” meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> April at 5.00pm around a project to prepare GPs and nurses to be able to have conversations around this topic.
- Noted that the next step is to consolidate the information collated from different sources – community consultations, feedback from previous PHAC meetings and Pacific workshop to be held on 29<sup>th</sup> April.
- Noted that the meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> April is a very important meeting for PHAC members to attend.
  
- Tony spoke about Body Odyssey exhibition and festival being hosted at the Telstraclear Pacific Events Centre on 11th May to 17th June. Key sponsors are the CMDHB, Merck Sharpe and Dome pharmaceutical company, Manukau City Council, Te Papa museum of NZ.
- Body Odyssey is a journey through the human body and is an opportunity for the DHB to highlight key health initiatives, issues and progress in their region.
- The festival provides an opportunity to show how many different aspects of community life contribute to health and wellbeing and the cross-sectoral work being done.
- Noted that PHAC members will be invited to key events.

### **Let's Beat Diabetes**

- Amanda Dunlop, Project Manager provided an update on progress.
- It was noted this is a district-wide plan focussed on long-term sustainable changes to prevent and delay the onset of diabetes and increase the quality of life. There is a component on prevention/education in the long-term vision for this strategy.
- Noted that as diabetes isn't a one person disease and affects families and communities, the project works based on principles of partnership with other agencies, and involving the community at all levels.
- Noted that 10 key action areas have been identified to help bring about the desired changes.
- Noted that the Community Action fund is available to groups to help commence activities that support the fundamentals of this project.
- Noted that social marketing is significant in that it will ensure access to hard to reach groups, information dissemination to groups in an appropriate manner.

- Noted that Registration of interest to work with the DHB and Social Marketing Panel took place on 7<sup>th</sup> April. The panel has representation from various key stakeholders to ensure consistency of messages and align key health messages.
- Noted that working with food industry to provide healthy choices.
- Also liaising with Well Child service to identify those at higher risk and provide nutritional/education support to the families.
- PHAC members present agreed that PHAC has an important role to play and would like to be kept informed and updated.
- Noted that since the project has a good structure and foundation, it is important for PHAC involvement to add value and enhance outcomes for Pacific people.
- It is important to get PHAC involvement to ensure Pacific interests are taken care of, use existing community linkages/strengths to the advantage of the Pacific people.
- In terms of Social Marketing, it was noted that it is important that Pacific interests are not compromised, but the person/group best qualified/experienced in this area.
- Noted that Amanda is meeting with Auckland Regional Public Health and Counties Manukau Sports to explore aspects of the project that they can take ownership/lead for.
- Also noted that CMDHB is working on strategic relationships/partnerships with Ministry of Education in order to approach health issue from schools.
- It was noted that the community needs to be encouraged to complete the next census survey in order to get real numbers for Pacific people with diabetes.
- Mr Pat Snedden thanked Amanda for the clear presentation. He re-inforced that it is important to focus on the big picture and use this opportunity to work together across the district, key stakeholders and work to achieve positive results for the community.
- As this is a collaborative project, it is important for all groups to work together, culturally sophisticated response is about enabling the organisation to work smarter.
- Mr Pat Snedden also acknowledged the expertise seen at PHAC, the importance to attend meetings as decisions made here will be taken up at the next Board meeting.
- Noted that the launch for this project is scheduled for 25<sup>th</sup> May 5.030 to 8.00pm at the Telstraclear Events Centre. Invitations will be sent to all Board and Committee members.
- Sloane Maoate, newly appointed Pacific Community Advisor was present for the presentation and indicated that she would like to meet with all the Committee members individually.

## **7. Progress Report**

### **Pacific Region – CMDHB role – deferred to next meeting**

#### **Pacific Provider Group meeting**

- Noted that the Pacific team brought this group together to discuss key issues and operational issues.
- This group is more structured and meets bi-monthly.
- Noted the terms of reference drafted by this group submitted along with the Board papers
- Noted that as a result of discussions at the last meeting re a representative being part of the PHAC to provide advice on behalf of this group, it was agreed that Michael Chan joins PHAC.

#### **Lotu Moui**

- Noted that processing on the application grants is  $\frac{3}{4}$  completed.
- It is hoped that by the end of next week, letters will be sent to all applicants.
- There are only 2 definite declines – 1 church is outside the Counties Manukau catchment area and the proposal submitted by second one did not meet the criteria

## **8. Information Papers**

### **Breast Screening Update**

- Marianne Scott provided an update to this project.
- Noted that Counties Manukau Breast Screening services provides breast screening, assessment and support to the women of this district.
- It was noted that the coverage rate for this area is not too good, especially compared to Christchurch which has a very high coverage rate.
- In order to improve coverage rates, the project is focussed on trying to understand where the areas of need are, identify where and how the services should be located and managed.
- It was noted that the service has got commitment for a mobile van for CMDHB.

- The service is involved in analysing service performance data and has completed analysis of existing population demographics.
- The service is exploring options with Auckland DHB for women from Counties Manakau to access this service in Auckland.
- An Advisory group consisting of providers and community groups is being established to communicate and encourage/invite women to participate in this programme.
- Discussions around how Counties Manukau can achieve a higher rate – the location/frequency of mobile services, the role of PHOs’.
- Agreed that PHAC will include this in their planning day to come up with ideas for this programme.
- Mr Sefita Hauoli noted that it is time to break the taboos and need to engage the community and family to make an issue of this and increase awareness. Make 2 people responsible for this, it’s part of total family health.
- Noted that it might be an idea for the mobile service to target groups on specific days – when they go to the Church for meetings.

**Pacific GM update**

- Report distributed as part of agenda.
- Noted this provides good information

**MeNZB Updated**

- Report distributed as part of agenda.
- Noted very positive mention of Counties Manukau’s lead in this project in the NZ Herald.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at. 12.00noon.

Signed as a true and correct record on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2005

Chair: **Anae Arthur**

**The minutes of the meeting of the Pacific Health Advisory Committee of Counties Manukau District Health Board of 20<sup>th</sup> April 2005 are approved.**

Moved: Mrs Bernedette Pone

Seconded: Ms Malia Hamani