

HOSPITAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES – PUBLIC - unconfirmed

Tuesday 28 June 2011

11.00am

West Lounge

The Hub

Hawera

Present:

Ella Borrows (Chair), Kura Denness, Karen Eagles, Brian Jeffares, Pauline Lockett, Alison Rumball, Colleen Tuuta (Board Members), Mary Bourke and Peter Catt (ex-officio)

In Attendance:

Tony Foulkes (Chief Executive), Rosemary Clements (General Manager Hospital and Specialist Services), Sandra Boardman (General Manager Planning, Funding & Population Health, Ramon Tito (Kaumatua), Jenny McLennan (PA to Chief Executive)

663.0 Declaration to Open Meeting

The meeting was declared open with a karakia at 10am.

664.0 Apologies

Resolution

That the apologies from Mrs Rumball, Mr Alex Ballantyne, Dr Gilkison and Mr Moeahu be received.

Catt/Eagles
Carried

Mrs Rumball arrived at the meeting following the passing of the resolution.

665.0 Conflict of Interest

The Register was circulated for signing with no new interests declared.

666.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolution

That the Hospital Advisory Committee resolve to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 31 May 2011.

Noting that the apology from Ms Denness was to attend Allied Laundry business.

Tuuta/Lockett
Carried

666.1 Matters Arising

666.2 Orthopaedic Elective Surgery – Increased Inflows

Mrs Clements advised that figures regarding the increased inflows to the orthopaedic surgery waiting list as a result of the impact of more ACC declines would be made available and included in the minutes as follows:

We have recorded 66 patients on the orthopaedic waiting list are as a result of being declined treatment by ACC. This has been captured manually so it is probable that the actual number is higher.

666.3 ACC Elective Services Contract 2011/12

Mrs Eagles noted that COOs had not signed the 2011/12 contract with ACC and that the issue had been escalated for consideration to the CEO group. Mrs Clements advised that TDHB were working with other DHBs generating the actual costs associated with ACC delivery as part of the case to be put forward to ACC for a price increase.

666.4 Mobile Oral Health Services

Mrs Clements advised that services had commenced in Patea the previous Monday and would assess and treat students through the schools in the area. The mobile would stay at schools until the students had been seen.

666.5 Orthopaedic Surgeon Positions

In response to a query from Mrs Borrows it was noted the one consultant position was due to be filled in June next year and there was quite a bit of interest shown in the second position with the advertising due to close by end of July.

Mrs Clements advised Orthopaedic Surgeon Mr Julian Stoddart had resigned to work in private practice.

666.6 Mental Health Services Presentation

Copy of presentation to be made available to Ms Denness to clarify reference to associated documentation.

666.7 Governance Plan

Ms Lockett questioned the status of the issues referred to for followup

- St John and ED
Mr Foulkes referred to advice that the status quo would continue for St John for the initial six/twelve months following which collaboration between ED and St John would commence.
- Succession Planning Framework
Miss Bourke noted this was already on the Governance Plan suggesting the opportunity to discuss at a workshop prior to the Board meeting
Mrs Eagles questioned the appropriate of the Board considering the framework as staffing issues were operational and not Governance.
Ms Lockett considered assurance that a framework was in place was a governance issue. Mrs Borrows supported this also.

667.0 Management Reports

667.1 General Manager Hospital Services Report

- The newly appointed General Manager Hospital Services, Mrs Rosemary Clements took the report as read highlighting the following:
- Revised forecast to year end \$7.4m operating deficit.
- Total presentations to Taranaki Base Hospital for the month of May increased by 2% against May 2010.
- Hawera Emergency Department showed a 10% increase in presentations in May against same period in 2010.
- Interim Needs Assessment Service Co-ordination (NASC)) agency successfully located to the Base Hospital site and was functioning well, covering all of Taranaki with personnel in Hawera Hospital also.
- In response to a query from Ms Denness Mrs Boardman advised that the transfer of the provision of NASC from a Funder contract to the Provider Arm had occurred following the notice from the previous provider of their wish to withdraw service provision. This notice had followed the delay in the implementation of Project Splice which was due to the dependency of its success on the introduction of IFHCs.
- Mrs Clements advised the smokefree target had reached 91.6%, which equated to a 80% increase from the beginning of the financial year.
- The Ward 3, Releasing Time to Care (RTTC) programme was progressing well and was to commence in Ward 4 early July.
- Project Maunga construction site 'a buzz' following the appointment of Fletcher Construction was announced with site preparation work having commenced.
- Further meeting of South Taranaki Alive with opportunities Project Steering Group was held earlier in the day.
- Ms Lockett expressed concern regarding capacity issues in both dental and orthopaedic waiting list and the struggle to meet timeframes, noting that options to address this were under exploration with a Service Plan currently under consideration.
- Ms Denness referred to the non-compliant rate for Outpatients ESPI 2 (patient waiting over six months for assessment) and the significant issues required to be addressed to achieve compliance.
- Mrs Clements advised that the formalisation and endorsement of a change in model of care would assist in addressing the current in balance across all specialities and that a range of pathways were under consideration.
- Ms Denness noted that by accepting fewer referrals the burden of costs moves to the patient and that raising the waiting list bar would not be appropriate.
- The additional 100 elective procedures resulting from post earthquake national waiting list management was noted.
- It was noted that the additional 23 beds would not all be commissioned on day one in the new facility and had been planned for expected demographic changes.
- Mrs Boardman advised that there was an expectation the PHOs would be in a position to appoint the six Care Managers into IFHCs early 2012.

- Mr Jeffares noted that even though general surgery and ophthalmology were performing above contract there were still patient waiting longer than six months.
- As the need was clearly higher but was not funded Ms Denness raised the option of renegotiating the contract and was advised that annual thresholds were established required compliance.
- In response to a question from Ms Lockett Mr Foulkes advised that there were no plans to consider paying for parking as part of Project Manuga and that the provision of additional enhancements was an area that could be considered.

667.2 Financial Report for Hospital and Specialist Services

- Mrs Fraser-Chapple to the report as read.

Discussion

- Ms Lockett was pleased to see the favourable FTE levels as a result of Project Whakapai.
- Mrs Lockett queried the amount of \$89.699 appearing as a credit against Information Technology in the Capital Expenditure breakdown. Mrs Fraser-Chapple to provide Ms Lockett on details on this item.
- Noted that non-devolved refers to funding received directly from the Ministry as opposed to from the Funder.
- Ms Denness noted the impact of no public holidays on FTE during May and the ongoing over expenditure in outsourced personnel cost.
- Mrs Clements advised that in a response to previous discussion work was underway with regards to presenting Doctors with costings of services provided to emphasis the need to ensure consideration of whether the service was required was ensured.

Resolution

That the Hospital Advisory Committee note and received the reports of the General Manager Hospital Services and attachments.

*Catt/Borrows
Carried*

668.0 New Appointments

Mr Foulkes was pleased to confirm the appointment of Mrs Rosemary Clements to the position of General Manager Hospital & Specialist Services recognising Rosemary's contribution during her time as Acting General Manager. Mr Foulkes advised that there had been an extensive recruitment process and joined the Board in a round of applause.

Mrs Boardman introduced her new Executive Assistant Miss Fran Davey to members.

669.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled to be held on Thursday 4 August. This was the same day as the August Board meeting.

670.0 Exclusion of Public

Resolution

That the Hospital Advisory Committee resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting on the basis of the following matters:

- 1. To present Hospital Advisory Committee Minutes pursuant to an earlier resolution publicly excluding the item*

*Jeffares/Rumball
Carried*

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Chairman

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Date

