

MINUTES Open

TARANAKI DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

7 October 2010

2.30pm

Corporate Meeting Room 1

Base Hospital

David Street

New Plymouth

Present

Peter Catt (Acting Chairman), Kura Denness, Mary Bourke, Jenny Nager, Flora Gilkison, Tony Ruakere

In Attendance

Tony Foulkes (Chief Executive), George Thomas (General Manager Finance & Corporate Services), Joy Farley (General Manager Hospital and Specialist Services), Sandra Boardman (General Manager Planning, Funding and Population Health), Ngawai Henare (Chief Advisor Maori Health), Sue Carrington (Communications), Jenny McLennan (Minute Taker)

633.0 Mr John Young – Chairman – Tribute

A floral tribute to Chairman, John Young NZOM, JP was placed in his usual place, following his passing on 15 September 2010.

634.0 Apologies

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board receive apologies from Mrs Karen Eagles, Dr Dan Devadhar; and Mr Alex Ballantyne.

*Denness/Nagerr
Carried*

635.0 Conflict of Interest

The Conflict of Interest Register was circulated for members to review and sign. A new interests was declared by Dr Peter Catt as Chairman of HIQ.

636.0 Minutes

Resolution

That the Minutes of the Taranaki District Health Board held 9 September 2010 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

*Nager/Denness
Carried*

Matters Arising

636.1 Project Maunga – Sleepover chair

In response to a question raised by Ms Denness, Joy Farley provided assurance that rooms could accommodate an easy chair for a sleep over fitted adequately.

637.0 Board Committee Reports

637.1 Hospital Advisory Committee

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board receive and note the minutes of the Hospital Advisory Committee meeting held on 28 September 2010 and note the recommendations contained therein.

*Denness/Nager
Carried*

638.0 Management Reports

638.1 Chief Executive's Report

Mr Foulkes acknowledged the passing of Mr John Young, Chairman, advising that his leadership, wisdom and support will be greatly missed.

Mr Foulkes took his report as read and highlighted the following points:-

- Taranaki well positioned to play a significant role in the implementation of the Midland Region Information Services Plan which will deliver an integrated shared care solution across primary and secondary health care providers in the Midland region by 30 June 2014. Plan currently in draft.
- Official opening of the new Community Oral Health Service by Minister Peter Dunne was the culmination of many years of hard work.
- Developments within the Better, Sooner, More Convenient Primary Health Care networks continues. As a consequence formal relationships of PHOs and DHBs will be realigned over future months.
- Further meeting with National Health Board (NHB) to be held end of next week. Expectation that further feedback regarding the status of the District Annual Plan will be provided.
- Public open day for Project Maunga 'mock up bed-room' was held. While there was a disappointing attendance by the public the feedback received was positive.
- Project Whakapai was launched in September. The Project will:-
 - Support the organisation to have the planned staffing in place
 - Improve management of staffing costs
 - Implement system and process improvements to help achieve the above.

While the project provides an opportunity to achieve goals by utilising a new set of tools changes will not occur instantly and results will be tracked over a period of time. Mr Foulkes presented a table of draft indicators that would be used to track activity and progress once regular data becomes available.

Discussion

- It was noted that the 3.2% referred to in the Planned 2010/11 Activity regarding '% of people aged 0-19 years with severe mental illness seen per year' was the blue print target of 3% of the total population not 3% of those

with a mental illness. While it was acknowledged that the description was a national definition there was a need to have a clearer definition in the report.

- The establishment of two multi-disciplinary intersectoral Whanau Ora service centres in North and South Taranaki, as noted in the Planned Activity Report, was part of the BSMC initiative and would be provided via the different use of existing funding.
- Mr Foulkes advised that activities for a number of the initiatives planned for 2010/11 commenced prior to the beginning of the year, hence Clinical Leadership already progressing achievements for planned outputs.
- Ambulatory sensitive (avoidable) hospital admissions referred to clinical conditions that could be treated on an outpatient/ambulatory basis rather than as an inpatient.
- Hospital Productivity - It was noted that 10% was the expected readmission rate for patients following discharge after an acute admission.
- National Targets - the most appropriate means of measuring outputs and outcomes where these related back to national targets was raised and discussed.

638.2 Finance and Corporate Services Report

Mr Thomas took his report as read highlighting a number of points:

- Financial report indicated results favourable to budget
- Focus remains on initiative to halt further growth to the deficit.

Discussion

- It was agreed that it would be beneficial to add year-to-date data to the financial graphs which would demonstrate the consolidated result.
- Ms Denness reported that FAC had considered the financial reports at the earlier meeting and noted that there had been a \$200k adjustment made to the year end results arising from prior period accruals.
- In relation to Project Maunga Dr Gilkison noted that details of project expenditure were not compared against related budget information and the ytd expenditure was \$1.1m against a total project budget of \$80m. Dr Gilkison sought assurance that expenditure to date was measured against proportionate budget for those expenditure lines. Mr Thomas advised that Project expenditure was closely monitored and that corresponding budget were able to be provided if necessary.

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board notes and receives the Chief Executive and Management's reports and attachments.

*Denness/Nager
Carried*

639.0 Date of Next Meeting

The next Board meeting was scheduled to be held on Thursday, 4 November 2010 in Hawera.

Miss Bourke advised of her apology for the next Board meeting.

640.0 Exclusion of Public

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board exclude the public from the meeting on the basis of the following matters:

- 1. To present Taranaki District Health Board Minutes pursuant to an earlier resolution publicly excluding the item.*
- 2. To present Minutes of Committee meetings pursuant to an earlier resolution publicly excluding the item.*
- 3. To present Chief Executive's Report in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to:
 - (g) Enable the DHB, Board or Board Committee holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.*
 - (h) Enable the DHB, Board or Board Committee holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).**

*Gilkison/Nager
Carried*

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Chairman

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Date