

MIDCENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

Minutes of the Disability Support Advisory Committee held on Tuesday, 19 March 2013 at 3.30pm in the Board Room, Board Office, Gate 2, Heretaunga Street, Palmerston North.

PRESENT

Lindsay Burnell (Chair)
Ann Chapman (Deputy Chair)
Jonathan Godfrey
Kevin Miles
Pat Kelly
Phil Sunderland (ex officio)
Tawhiti Kunaiti

Unconfirmed Minutes

IN ATTENDANCE

Murray Georgel, Chief Executive Officer
Mike Grant, General Manager, Planning & Support
Heather Browning, General Manager, Enable New Zealand
Jill Matthews, Principal Administration Officer
Muriel Hancock, Director, Patient Safety and Clinical Effectiveness
Lyn Horgan, Operations Director, Hospital Services
Madichlinne Snow, Committee Secretary

1. APOLOGIES

None

2. LATE ITEMS

Jonathan Godfrey submitted information about the Health and Disability Commissioner on suggested actions for implementing the United Nations Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities for government agencies. This was discussed at another meeting.

It was recommended:

That the report be received.

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST/REGISTER OF INTEREST UPDATE**3.1 Amendments to the Register of Interest**

Jonathan Godfrey advised that he is now working at Massey.
Tawhiti Kunaiti advised that he has a contract and is employed through a collective process.

3.2 Declaration of Conflicts in Relation to Today's Business

There were no declarations of conflicts.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Minutes

that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 October 2012 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

4.2 Recommendations to the Board

The Committee noted that all recommendations contained in the minutes had been approved by the Board.

4.3 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

5. STRATEGIC ISSUES

5.1 Disability Stocktake Update

The General Manager, Enable New Zealand noted that this report was as read and was to give an update on work undertaken to date, by Be. Accessible.

The General Manger reported that the program agreed at the last meeting is now underway and the price agreed upon. Everything is proceeding well and there will be a community of Interest group session happening tomorrow at Enable New Zealand. This was advertised and reasonably well responded to. The General Manager reported that the Be.Accessible team will be working with the Clinical Leaders tomorrow and Thursday.

The General Manager advised that the Be.Accessible team is confident that they can deliver a self-audit tool at the end of April 2013 and support an audit process to be completed by 30 June 2013 as per the requirements of the Annual Plan.

It was recommended:

That the report be received.

5.2 Disability Consumer Feedback

Director, Patient Safety and Clinical Effectiveness, Muriel Hancock advised the Committee that questionnaires were send out and that the return rate was slightly lower. Respondents identifying as having a disability in this period was also lower. Satisfaction rates for inpatients were higher than the previous six months.

The Director reported that no specific actions have been implemented to address any of the ratings and that patient surveys will continue to be undertaken as part of the service improvement process.

The Chairman raised a concern about the waiting period for outpatients and that patients should be informed. He suggested that a number of discussions should be held to focus more on this. The Director advised that there was no active word going on at this stage and that they recently been supporting their frontline administration staff with training and that

this is one of the things that comes in to a whole lot of aspects but advised that it is part of a whole wider approach.

The Director advised that the Committee will be provided with six-monthly updates on progress with the next report to cover January to June 2013.

It was recommended:

that the report be received.

5.3 Update on Ministry of Health “New Model” Work Programme

The General Manager, Enable New Zealand advised the Committee that there have been two updates in the DSS Newsletter from the Ministry of Health since the last meeting.

One of the more significant messages is the appointment of Catherine Bennet as Project Manager.

The New Model has gathered momentum over the later part of last year and beginning of this year. The New Model work that has been done at the Western Bay of Plenty was extended to the Eastern Bay of Plenty.

Since the last meeting the National Reference Group has been established. They will look at the entire framework redesign of Needs Assessment Service Coordination Information Provision and other Service Models around how they might allocate funding.

There were evaluations done of the pilot in the Western Bay of Plenty. Some of the strands of work are gaining momentum like Supported Self-Assessment although it is part of a pilot in the Eastern and Western Bay of Plenty.

There is a number of NASC's doing this including EnableNASC. This is a useful mechanism for managing our resourcing

The extended Individualised Funding is happening in the Eastern and Western Bay of Plenty and there is also access to it for people in other regions and for some clients with particular high needs. This is managed by a brokerage agency.

The Chairman raised some concerns about there not being equipment or assistive devices put in place.

The General Manager advised that there are some tandem pieces of work happening around equipment and housing modifications. And mentioned that she thinks that at some point in the overall service framework they will come together somewhere.

The General Manager reported that the National Reference Group for framework redesign is still in its formative stage.

The General Manager advised that the Committee will be provided with six-monthly updates on progress.

It was recommended:

that the report be received

6. GOVERNANCE ISSUES

6.19

6.1 Committee's Work Programme, 2013/14

The Chief Executive Officer noted that the report was an update against the Committee's 2013/14 Work Programme and advised of the reports scheduled for the next meeting.

It was recommended:

that the updated work programme for 2013/14 be noted

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

23 July 2013

8. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

It was recommended:

that the public be excluded from this meeting in accordance with the Official Information Act 1992, section 9 for the following items for the reasons stated:

Item	Reason	Ref
"In Committee" minutes of the Previous Meeting	For reasons stated in the previous agenda	
Annual Plan	Under negotiation	9(2)(j)

Confirmed this Tuesday of March 2013.

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Chairperson