

MidCentral DHB looking for new Consumer Council Chair

Have you ever wanted to make a meaningful contribution to the health and wellbeing of people and whānau in our community?

If so, then please consider applying to become the next Chair of MidCentral DHB's Consumer Council. The Consumer Council works in partnership with the DHB to support our vision for Quality Living, Healthy Lives and Well Communities by providing consumer-focused advice and insight on DHB services, projects and initiatives.

The position of Consumer Council Chair is an independent leadership role that has a significant part to play by providing inclusive leadership to the Council, supporting members to fulfil their duties, overseeing an effective work plan, chairing meetings and ensuring the Council fulfils its requirements against a set of agreed objectives.

The Chair works collaboratively with the Chief Executive, MidCentral Board and senior leaders of the DHB and THINK Hauora to ensure consumers are at the centre of everything we do in the health sector. The Chair also works closely with the Chair of the Clinical Council to set joint priorities and work plans, and act as a consumer representative on the Clinical Council.

Key tasks of the Chair include:

- Providing leadership to the Council to ensure maximum effectiveness
- Supporting Council members to fulfil their roles and responsibilities
- Ensuring the Council operates within its scope
- Providing a clear strategic direction for the Council
- Helping to develop the knowledge and capability of Consumer Council members
- Ensuring meetings, workshops and discussions stay on topic and within timeframes
- Reporting on the Council's progress to the MidCentral Board
- Ensuring the Council incorporates the right balance of skills, knowledge and experience required to reflect MidCentral's priority populations.

The Chair is appointed for a three-year term initially, and the role would suit someone with proven leadership ability who has a passion for improving public health services in the MDHB region and reducing health inequities.

To apply, please email a cover letter and CV to the Consumer Council Administrator at consumercouncil@midcentraldhb.govt.nz. Any queries about the role can also be sent to this address.

Applications close on Friday, 7 February 2020.