

MIDCENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

Minutes of the Disability Support Advisory Committee held on Tuesday 6 July 2010 at 4.00pm in Board Room, Board Office, Gate 2B, Heretaunga Street, Palmerston North.

PRESENT

Lindsay Burnell (Chair)
Diane Anderson
Ann Chapman
Jonathan Godfrey

Nicholas Steenhout
Phil Sunderland
David Warburton

Unconfirmed Minutes

IN ATTENDANCE

Murray Georgel, Chief Executive Officer
Mike Grant, General Manager, Funding Division
Heather Browning, General Manager, Enable New Zealand
Nicholas Glubb, Operations Director, Specialist and Regional Services
Jill Matthews, Manager, Administration and Communications
Karen Nisbet, Committee Secretary

Media (0)
Public (2)

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies. Tawhiti Kunaiti was absent.

2. LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

3 CONFLICT OF INTEREST/REGISTER OF INTEREST UPDATE

3.1 Amendments to the Register of Interests

There were no amendments to the Register of Interest.

3.2 Declaration of Conflicts in Relation to Today's Business

No interests were declared.

4. MINUTES

4.1 Minutes

that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 March 2010 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

4.2 Recommendations to 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 Update on Communication Formats

The Manager, Communications and Administration summarised the report. It was noted that the Clinical Forms Committee now has a greater understanding of what forms are required in large print format and all forms will be looked at and considered by the Committee.

The Committee commended the new procedures. It was noted that the cost of Braille publications was not a reasonable excuse for non use of this communication medium.

It was recommended:

that the report be received.

5.2 Human Rights Review Tribunal – Paid Family Caregivers Case

The CEO summarised the report. He advised that he will continue to keep members updated with information as it comes to hand.

It was recommended:

this report be received.

5.3 Child and Adolescent Oral Health Update

The CEO summarised the report. It was noted that MidCentral were the only DHB that had raised concerns about universal access. Management advised there was no funding available from the Ministry for piloting universal access, but would investigate if there were other funding opportunities, such as community trusts.

Management advised that they would send information to the Ministry offering any information that may aid other DHBs with universal access to these clinics.

It was recommended:

that this report be received.

5.4 centralAlliance

The CEO summarised the order papers that were provided to the Disability Support Advisory Committee from Whanganui.

It was noted that the draft Whanganui Region Disability Strategy included no additional funding for its implementation. The CEO advised that we have similar strategies in place at MidCentral District Health Board with Disability Surveys that include the following:

- Employment Practices

- Staff Awareness
- Consumer Support

A committee member requested that additional questions could be asked in the Customer Feedback questionnaire, but it was advised that this was a national document. If further questions were required an additional questionnaire would need to be put out.

It was noted that the next step was a merger of Whanganui and MidCentral District Health Boards Disability Support Advisory Committees. It was agreed that this be raised at the centralAlliance sub-committee meetings.

It was recommended:

that this report be received

6 GOVERNANCE ISSUES

6.1 2010/11 Work Programme

It was recommended:

That the Committee's 2010/11 work programme be noted.

7. LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

7.1 Public Comment

Members of the public requested information on the Paid Carparking proposal that was discussed at the Hospital Advisory Committee.

It was advised that although no decisions had been made, the recommendations were approved and would be considered by the Board on 20 July 2010. The CEO noted that there are very few exemptions for the paid carparking and that the disabled community as well as rural persons would be required to pay. However, taxis and vehicles dropping off patients, staff and visitors would not be charged if onsite for under 30 minutes.

It was noted that if disabled people were to pay for the carparking that monitoring of the disabled carparks would need to be stringently monitored.

The CEO noted that an additional 230 carparks would be available. The Committee requested that the carparking issues be noted.

8. DATE OF MEETING

Tuesday 6 October 2010 at 4pm, MidCentral DHB Office, Board Room, Gate 2B, Heretaunga Street, Palmerston North.

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9. EXCLUSION OF THE 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:

<i>Item</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Reference</i>
<i>"In Committee" minutes of the previous meeting</i>	<i>For reasons stated in the previous agenda</i>	

The meeting closed at 4.45 pm.

Confirmed this 6th day of October 2010.

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Chairperson