

# MidCentral District Health Board

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## Community & Public Health Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 2 March 2010 in the Board Room of Board Office, Gate 2B Heretaunga Street, Palmerston North

The meeting commenced at 1.07pm

### PRESENT:

Diane Anderson (Chair)  
Dennis Emery (Deputy Chair)  
Graeme Campbell  
Ann Chapman (ex officio)  
Phil Sunderland (ex officio)  
Linda Gray  
Charmaine Hamilton

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Murray Georgel, Chief Executive Officer  
Mike Grant, General Manager, Funding / Acting General Manager, Corporate Services  
Rebecca Bensemann, Committee Secretary

### OTHER:

Staff: (8)  
Public: (1)  
Media: (0)

### 1. APOLOGIES

There were none.

### 2. NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were none.

### 3. CONFLICT AND/OR REGISTER OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of conflict.

There were no updates to the Register of Interests.

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#### **4. MINUTES**

##### **4.1 MINUTES**

It was recommended:

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

##### **4.2 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD**

It was noted that all recommendations contained in the minutes were approved by the Board.

##### **4.3 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were none.

A Committee Member queried whether the meaning of 'Te Pou roll out' had been clarified as was originally noted in the minutes. Management confirmed that this information was provided at paragraph 4.4.2 of the Funding Division Operating Report – March 2010.

It was also noted that the timeframe for the Better, Sooner, More Convenient Business Case had been updated at the Board meeting held on 16 February 2010.

#### **5. OPERATIONAL REPORTS**

##### **5.1 NON-FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE INDICATOR REPORT INCLUDING HEALTH TARGETS AND CONFIRMATION REPORTING FOR QUARTER 2, 2009/10**

It was advised that there are some indicators that may vary quarter by quarter for this standard report as the Ministry of Health sets the mould for this reporting format.

A Member asked for clarification as to provider details for Diabetes Management. Management responded that in this instance the reference is to all providers, particularly general practice.

Discussion followed on elective surgery targets and services being provided by other DHBs. It was noted that 38% of elective volumes are provided by other DHBs, with Capital & Coast DHB being the main provider. However, increased investment in neurology, cardiology and paediatric service areas is helping to reduce elective outflows to other DHBs.

It was also commented that no person is denied access to health services but access to a desired location for provision of such services may be refused due to reasons such as limited bed capacity, availability of specialist to perform, or availability of Emergency Department to receive patients.

Fundamentally, MidCentral Health has an open approach to people from the border areas accessing health services where they choose to, aside from situations where this may be clinically inappropriate.

A member of the public commented (under Standing Orders permission) that there is a significant difference between the terms Severe Mental Illness and Serious Mental Illness and suggested that the Committee be aware of which particular term is being referenced in this report.

It was recommended:

*that this report be received*

## **5.2 FUNDING DIVISION OPERATING REPORT – MARCH 2010**

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It was advised that a contact assessment may be completed via telephone or face to face, depending upon the individual concerned.

It was recommended:

*that this report be received*

## **5.3 FINANCE REPORT – FEBRUARY 2010**

A Committee Member requested that full financial information be provided in future to gain an overall understanding of the financial position for MidCentral DHB from a funding perspective.

It was suggested that the Hospital Advisory Committee financial report be appended to the Community and Public Health Advisory Committee agenda each month. It is important to receive this financial information as the Committee is placed in a position of responsibility to ensure that funding is allocated rightly and appropriately to each provider.

Management responded that this would be a significant departure from previous reporting formats. It was commented that the Hospital Advisory Committee reports on the provider arm financials, over which the Funder has very little influence. The relevance of this information to the Community and Public Health Advisory Committee was questioned.

It was noted that an expression of concern around the current financial reporting format has been received by two Committee Members and it was asked that this concern be addressed immediately and effectively. It was agreed that Mike Grant and Linda Gray would organise a meeting to clarify the level of financial information to be reported on and received and that feedback regarding this would be communicated to the Committee at its next meeting in April.

Discussion then moved on to the Finance Report for February 2010. A Member asked for an explanation regarding the refund of the Pacific Provider Development Fund. It was responded that the Ministry has funded \$50k per annum for the previous four years for the establishment of Pacific Provider Development. However, there is currently no Pacific provider in the district but the rules of the fund do not allow for this, hence the issue of an invoice from the Ministry to request repayment of this fund.

A query was then raised regarding the decreasing trend of IDF inflow, in particular from Whanganui DHB. Management advised that Whanganui DHB is presently trying to increase output, particularly surgical output. MidCentral DHB is supporting Whanganui DHB in this initiative via the combined leadership model which is likely to be an ongoing trend, therefore leading to a decrease of IDF inflow.

It was recommended:

*that this report be received*

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**6. STRATEGIC REPORTS**

**6.1 LETTER OF EXPECTATIONS**

It was recommended:

*that the Minister of Health's letter of expectations dated 9 February 2010 be received*

**7. GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

**7.1 2009/10 WORK PROGRAMME**

There were no amendments to the 2009/10 Work Programme.

It was recommended:

*that the updated work programme for 2009/10 be noted*

**8. LATE ITEMS**

There were none.

**9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

6 April 2010

**10. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC**

It was recommended:

*that the public be excluded from Part 2 of this meeting in accordance with the Official Information Act 1992, section 9 for the following items for the reasons stated:*

Item	Reason	Reference
"In Committee" Minutes of the Previous Meeting	For reasons stated in the previous agenda	
Funding MidCentral Health Price Volume Schedule (2010/11)	Subject to negotiation	9(2)(j)
2010/11 District Annual Plan	Under negotiation	9(2)(j)
Community Breastfeeding Leadership and Coordination	Subject of a competitive tender process	9(2)(j)
Prioritisation of Funding Division Contract Renewals	Subject to negotiation	9(2)(j)

Meeting closed at 1.55pm

Confirmed Tuesday 6 April 2010

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Chairperson