

Glossary of Terms and Acronyms Commonly Used in Health

24/7	After Hours Surgery, Bealey Avenue
A&E	Accident and Emergency
ACADS	Ashburton Community Alcohol and Drug Service
ACART	Advisory Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technologies
ACC	Accident Compensation Corporation
ACLS	Advanced Cardiac Life Support
ACN	Acute Community Nursing
ADC	Ashburton District Council
ADM	Acute Demand Management
AFL (A4L)	Appetite for Life
AGM	Annual General Meeting
AH	After Hours
AHMAC	Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council
AHMC	Australian Health Ministers' Conference
AHS	After Hours Service
AIMS	Ambulatory Inpatient Medical Service
ALAC	Alcohol and Liquor Advisory Council
ALOS	Average Length of Stay
ANA	Agencies for Nutrition Action
AOD	Alcohol and Other Drugs
ARC	Aged Residential Care
ASA	Ambulatory Sensitive Admissions
ASC	Acute Services Coordination
ASH	Ambulatory Sensitive Hospitalisations
ASMS	Association of Salaried Medical Specialists
ASR	Age Sex Register
AT&R	Assessment Treatment and Rehabilitation
B2B	Back to Back Contract (between PHO and GP practices)
B4SC	B4 School Check (Before School Check)
BAU	Business-as-usual. The operation of existing systems
BCTI	Buyer Created Tax Invoice
BIC	Brief Intervention Coordinator
BMJ	British Medical Journal
BP	Blood Pressure
BPAC	Best Practice Advocacy Centre
BPM	Business Process Manager, a claim and invoice processing system
BSA	Breast Screen Aotearoa
BSI	Blood Stream Infection
BSMC	Better, Sooner, More Convenient, Primary Health Care MoH initiative
BUR	Burwood Hospital
C&PH	Community and Public Health
CAB	Community Advisory Board
CAFS	Child and Family Services (Mental Health)
CALD	Culturally And Linguistically Diverse
CAMHS	Child and Youth Mental Health and Addiction Services
CARE	Coordinates Assesses Rehabilitates the Elderly
CARM	Centre for Adverse Reactions Monitoring
Care+	(CarePlus) Specific programme to support those with chronic disease
CATINC	Community Action to Improve Nutritional Capacity
CBF	Capitation Based Funding, both an information technology system and a supporting process for funding PHOs on a capitated basis

CMAU	Crown Company Monitoring and Advice Unit
CCC	Cancer Control Council
CCC	Christchurch City Council
CCCC	Canterbury Care Coordination Centre
CCPG	Canterbury Community Pharmacy Group
CCPS	Client Claims Processing System, a HealthPAC system that processes payments for providers of health and disability services on behalf of the funders of those services
CCU	Coronary Care Unit
CCN	Canterbury Clinical Network
CDHB	Canterbury District Health Board
CDM	Chronic Disease Management
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CERA	Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority
CFA	Crown Funding Agreement
CFO	Chief Financial Officer
CGG	Clinical Governance Group
CHW	Community Health Worker
CI	Canterbury Initiative
CID	Corporate and Information Directorate
CIPANG	Canterbury Physical Activity and Nutrition Group
CME	Continuing Medical Education
CMS	Contract Management System, a HealthPAC system with three main functions: reporting; the generation and administration of agreements between funders and contracted providers of health and disability services; and processing payments to the providers of contracted health and disability services on behalf of the funders of those services
CNE	Continuing Nursing Education
CNS	Clinical Nurse Specialist
Connected Health Community	The collective of health workers and entities (i.e. hospitals, general practitioners, laboratories, pharmacies and other healthcare providers and funders), connectivity service providers and health information / application providers that communicate and collaborate within the Connected health governance and management framework
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
Core Services	Those services and applications that are provided centrally for use by all participants in the Connected Health Community
CoS	Coordinator of Services
COSE	Coordinator of Services for the Elderly
CPH	Community and Public Health (CDHB)
CPHDSAC	Community, Public Health, Disability Support Advisory Committee (CDHB)
CPHO	Christchurch Primary Health Organisation
CPI	Capitation Payments & Information, A Ministry initiative with the goal of improving Primary Health Care Payment Systems, Information & Connectivity
CPPG	Canterbury Primary Pandemic Group
CRG	Christchurch Radiology Group
CRS	Christchurch Resettlement Services
CREST	Community Rehabilitation and Enablement Support Team
CSC	Community Services Card
CSD	Clinical Services Directorate, a Ministry directorate
CSR	Capitation Summary Report
CSPIN	Christchurch Social Policy Inter-agency Network

CTA	Clinical Training Agency
CVD	Cardiovascular Disease
CWD	Case weighted discharge
CYFS	Child, Youth and Family Services
CYMRC	Child and Youth Mortality Review Committee
DAP	District Annual Plan
DDG	Deputy Director-General
DEP	Deprivation Index
DG	Director-General of Health
DHB	District Health Board. DHBs provide, or fund the provision of, health & disability services to 21 districts throughout New Zealand.
DHBNZ	District Health Boards New Zealand. The overall purpose of District Health Boards New Zealand is to assist DHBs in meeting their objectives and accountabilities to the Crown
DHBF&P	DHB Funding and Performance Directorate, a Ministry directorate
DIA	Department of Internal Affairs
DNAs	Did Not Attends
DME	Death & Merge Extract, a file provided by NZHIS that allows the PHO Register to be updated with information regarding Dates of death and NHI number merges.
DOL	Department of Labour
DON	Director of Nursing
DSD	Disability Services Directorate
DSP	District Strategic Plans
DSS	Disability Support Services
E-PORTAL	Electronic Portal
EBM	Evidence Based Medicine
ECG	Electrocardiogram
ECART	Ethics Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology
ED	Emergency Department
EOI	Expression of Interest
EPIQUAL	National health Epidemiology and Quality Assurance Advisory Committee
ERMS	Electronic Referral Management Systems
ET	Executive Team of the Ministry of Health
FCTC	Framework Convention on Tobacco Control
FFP	Flexible Funding Pool
FFS	Fee for Service
FFT	Future Funding Track
FMIS	Financial Management Information System
FSA	First Specialist Assessment
FSANZ	Food Standards Australia New Zealand
Funder	An organisation that provides financial resources to individual and organisations involved in the delivery of healthcare services
FTE	Full Time Equivalent
Geocode	A geographical code to identify a point or area at the surface of the earth
GETS	Government Electronic Tenders Service
GMS	General Medical Subsidy
GP	General Practitioner
GPL	General Practice Liaison
GPT	General Practice Team
GRx	Green Prescription
H1N1	Swine Flu
HAC	Hospital Advisory Committee (CDHB)
HADIE	Health and Disability Information Exchange

HART Act	Human Assisted Reproductive Technology Act 2004
HbA1c	Haemoglobin A1c, glucated haemoglobin, reflects the average blood glucose level over the past 3 months
HBI	Hospital Benchmarking Information
HBL	Health Benefits Ltd
HCNZ	Healthcare NZ
HCs	Regional Health And Disability Ethics Committee
HDC	Hurunui District Council
HEAL	Healthy Eating Active Living 'Action Plan'
Healthcare Providers	Any person (i.e., doctor, nurse, dentist) or facility (i.e., hospital or clinic) that provides medical care.
HealthPAC	Health Payments, Agreements and Compliance, a business unit of the Ministry of Health
HEHA	Healthy Eating - Healthy Action
HFA	Health Funding Authority
HIA	Health Impact Assessment
HIAP	Health In All Policies
HIN	Health Information Network
HIPR	Health Information Privacy Rules
HISAC	Health Information Strategy Action Committee. HISAC is the Ministerial Advisory Committee that provides leadership, oversight and governance for implementing the Health Information Strategy for New Zealand (HIS-NZ)
HIS-NZ	Health Information Strategy for New Zealand
HISO	New Zealand Health Information Standards Organisation. HISO is a sub-committee of HISAC. HISO's role is to engage with New Zealand's health and disability sector to strategically manage the development of health information standards for New Zealand
HMS	Health Management Services – contracted by the PHO for this
HNA	Health Needs Assessment
HOP	He Oranga Pounamu
HP	Health Promotion
HPCA	Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003
HPDT	Health Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal
HPI	Health Practitioner Index
HPV	Human Papilloma Virus
HQSC	Health Quality and Safety Commission
HR	Human Resources
HRC	Health Research Council
HSC	Health Sponsorship Council
HSR	Health Statistics and Reporting
HSS	Hospital and Specialist Services
HUHC	High Use Health Card
HWAC	Health Workforce Advisory Committee
ICU	Intensive Care Unit
IDF	Inter District Flows
IDPs	Indicators of DHB Performance
IFHC	Integrated Family Health Centres
IFHS	Integrated Family Health Services
IMMP	Intensive Medicines Monitoring Programme
IMMs	Immunisations
InterRAI	International Resident Assessment Instrument, a comprehensive geriatric assessment tool

IPA	Independent Practitioner Association
IPAC	IPA Council of New Zealand
IQ	Improving Quality
ISP	Internet Service Provider
IT	Information technology
ITS	Information Technology Services, a business unit of the Ministry. The information and communications technology organisation responsible for supporting HealthPAC and NZHIS
Iwi	Maori Tribe
KDC	Kaikoura District Council
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
LMC	Lead Maternity Carer
LTCCP	Long Term Council Community Plan
MAAC	Medicines Assessment Advisory Committee
MACCAH	Ministerial Advisory Committee on Complementary and Alternative Health
MAF	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
MARC	Medicines Adverse Reactions Committee
MCC	Medicines Classification Committee
MCNZ	Medical Council of New Zealand
MECA	Multi Employer Collective Agreement
Medsafe	NZ Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Authority
MeNZB™	Name given to programme to vaccinate against meningococcal meningitis
MFAT	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
MH	Maori Health or Mental Health
MHERC	Mental Health Education and Resource Centre
MHINC	Mental Health Information National Collection
MHIRS	Mental Health Information Reporting System
MKW	Manawhenua Ki Waitaha
Ministry	Ministry of Health (MOH)
MMR	Measles mumps and rubella
MoC	Model of Care
MOE	Ministry of Education
MOH	Ministry of Health
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPIA	Maori Pacific Internal Affairs
MSD	Ministry of Social Development
MSO	Management Service Organisation, for instance an external organisation carrying out IT processing for a PHO.
MUR	Medicines Use Review and Adherence Support
NASC	Needs Assessment Service Coordinator
NCDs	Non Communicable diseases
NCNZ	Nursing Council of New Zealand
NCSP	National Cervical Screening Programme
NDSIG	National Diabetes Service Improvement Group
NEC	Not elsewhere classified
NETP	Nursing Entry to Practice Programme
Network	The communication path that connects a series of points
NFD	Not further defined
NGHN	Next Generation Health Network
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisations, organisations that receive government funding to provide a set service, usually private trusts or incorporated societies
NHC	National Health Committee
NHF	National Heart Foundation

NHI	National Health Index
NIR	National Immunisation Register
NICU	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
NMDS	National Minimum Dataset, the hospital inpatient discharges collection
NP	Nurse Practitioner
NRT	Nicotine Replacement Therapy
NSDP	National Systems Development Programme
NSR	National Systems Review. The business case report, written by Deloitte in October 2005 that is the forerunner to this Connected Health business case
NSU	National Screening Unit
NZDep	NZ Deprivation Index
NZDS	New Zealand Disability Strategy
NZFSA	New Zealand Food Safety Authority
NZGG	New Zealand Guidelines Group
NZHIS	New Zealand Health Information Service, a business unit of the Ministry
NZHT	New Zealand Health Trust
NZMA	NZ Medical Association
NZMC	NZ Medical Council
NZNO	New Zealand Nurses Organisation
NZRGPN	New Zealand Rural General Practice Network
NZTPS	New Zealand TelePaediatrics Service
OCC	Office of the Commissioner for Children
OIA	Official Information Act
OLG	Operational Leadership Group (part of Canterbury Clinical Network)
OPD	Outpatient Department
OSH	Occupational Safety and Health
OT	Occupational Therapy/ist
OU	Observation Unit
P&F	Planning and Funding, CDHB
PAS	Payment Advice Sheet
PATHS	Providing Access to Health Solutions
Patient	A person who requires medical care and purchases or uses healthcare services
PBFF	Population Based Funding Formula
PCO	Primary Care Organisation
PCW	Partnership Community Worker
PEGS	Prevention, Education, Giving Up and Staying Smoke Free
PerOrg	Person Organisation Database, identifies people & organisations within the sector
PHARMAC	Pharmaceutical Management Agency
PHAC	Public Health Advisory Committee (subcommittee of the national Health committee)
PHC	Partnership Health Canterbury / Partnership Health PHO
PHC	Primary Health Care
PHCDT	Primary Health Care Development Team, a group that works within the Ministry's Clinical Services Directorate
PHCS	Primary Health Care Strategy
PHD	Primary Health Directorate
PHIG	Primary Health Care Strategy Implementation Group
PHN	Public Health nurse
PHO	Primary Health Organisation. PHOs are the local provider organisations through which DHBs implement the Primary Health Care Strategy
PHU	Public Health Unit
PI	Performance Indicators
PMMRC	Perinatal and Maternal Mortality Review Committee

PMS	Patient Management System, software used to manage patient data in primary practices
PN	Practice Nurse
PoC	Package of Care
PPP	PHO Performance Programme
PPWAC	Push Play With Active Canterbury
ProClaim	System for processing transactions for health-related payment claims, a HealthPAC system
PSAAP	The PHO S Agreements Amendment Protocol Group , established to consider and make decisions and/or recommendations on variations to the Standard PHO Agreement and its referenced documents
PSG	Programme Steering Group. The management group that supports the business owners of Connected Health
PSC	Pharmaceutical Subsidy Card
PSE	Psychiatric Services for the Elderly
PTAC	Pharmacology and Therapeutics Advisory Committee
PTC	Pacific Trust Canterbury
PUC	Purchase Unit Code
QALY	Quality Adjusted Life Year
RANZCP	Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists
RCPHO	Rural Canterbury Primary Health Organisation
RDA	Resident Doctors Association
RFP	Request For Proposal
RHMU	Residual Health Management Unit
RNZCGP	Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners
RMO	Resident Medical Officer
RPA	Radiation Protection Act 1965
RPAC	Radiation Protection Advisory Council
RRS	Rural Ranking Scale
RSM	Referred Services Management
SCA	Service Coordination Agency
SCS	Service Coverage Schedule
Sector	The Health and Disability sector within New Zealand
SKIP	Strategies with Kids, Information For Parents
SIA	Services to Improve Access
SIAPO	South Island Alliance Programme Office (replaces SISSAL)
SIG	Special Interest Group
SISSAL	South Island Shared Services Agency Ltd – local processing/contract management arm of MOH
SLA	Service Level Alliance
SLH	South Link Health – an IPA
SME	Subject Matter Expert
SMHS	Specialist Mental Health Service
SMO	Senior Medical Officer
SNZ	Statistics New Zealand
SOARS	System of Acute Response Panel (Mental health)
SOI	Statement of Intent
SPARC	Sport and Recreation Council
SPD	Sector Policy Directorate
SPOE	Single Point of Entry
SPINA	Service Planning and New Health Intervention Assessment (Framework)
TAS	Central Region Technical Advisory Services Limited
TEC	Tertiary Education Commission

The Act	NZ Health and Disability Act 2000
The Code	Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers' Rights
The Commissioner	The Health and Disability Commissioner
The Minister	The Minister of Health
The Ministry	The Ministry of Health
The Office	The Office of the Health and Disability Commissioner
TPMH	The Princess Margaret Hospital
The Sector	The Health and Disability sector within New Zealand
T KOP	Te Kahui o Papaki Ka Tai (Maori Health Advisory Group)
TLA	Territorial Local Authority
TLB	Transitional Leadership Board (part of Canterbury Clinical Network)
TOR	Terms of Reference
TPS	Transaction Processing System
TRoNT	Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu
UAT	User Acceptance Testing
UC	University of Canterbury
UNHSAG	Universal Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Group
WAVE	Working To Add Value Through E-Information
WDC	Waimakariri District Council
WHA	World Health Assembly
WHAG	Waimakariri Health Advisory Group
WHO	World Health Organisation
WINCAPP	Windows Computer-Aided Pharmacy Processing
WINZ	Work and Income New Zealand
WIP	Work in progress
WMK	Waimakariri District Council
YTD	Year to Date