

# WHAT'S UP WITH YOUR PHO'S



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## NEW FUNDING SUPPORTS HEALTHY EATING INITIATIVES IN COMMUNITIES

Community groups planning efforts to get their local families to eat more healthily will be pleased to hear that they may be able to receive support from a new funding stream launched by the Feeding our Futures programme.

Feeding our Futures is a national social marketing programme, delivered by the Health Sponsorship Council, which helps parents and caregivers to achieve healthy diets for kids.

The new funding is available for activities, events or initiatives taking place between February and April 2008, which promote healthy eating outcomes for families or whanau. A further funding round will commence in April 2008.

Funding will be allocated up to the value of \$5,000 + GST per project.

Applicants will need to show how the activity is supporting one or more of the Feeding our Futures programme objectives. These include contributing towards increasing parents motivation, confidence and

skills in implementing strategies to provide a healthy diet for children. The programme prioritises Maori, Pacific and low income communities.

"We're delighted to be able to launch this important stage in our programme, and to give communities more support in achieving nutrition outcomes for their families and whanau," said Michelle Mako, Programme Manager, Feeding our Futures. "We look forward to seeing the national programme give more support to those working at a local level and to working with new community based groups."

Funding will be allocated subject to evaluation of the application by the HSC, and support of a community referee from a District Health Board. The funding round is open from 30 November 2007 until 18 January 2008.

To access the funding guidelines and application form please visit [www.feedingourfutures.org.nz/communitypartnerships.html](http://www.feedingourfutures.org.nz/communitypartnerships.html)

For more information about community partnerships please contact Hereni Coffin, Marketing and Community Coordinator on [hereni@hsc.org.nz](mailto:hereni@hsc.org.nz) or call 04 472 5777.



CBF / Privacy – Training Session held at PHO Office, 12 November 2007

There was a good turn out of Practice Managers from both PHOs at a recent meeting in the PHO office. Capitation Based Funding data changes was discussed by Serena Curtis-Lemuela, Manager of the Performance Management Programme for DHBNZ. This was followed by the Privacy Commissioner's Christchurch representative, Kathryn Dalziel, speaking on privacy issues in relation to general practice. Both presentations were very well received. Future meetings focusing on topics of specific interest to Practice Managers will be run two monthly. They will mainly be held in Ashburton, Rangiora and Christchurch to make it easier for staff to attend.

## UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO CHRISTCHURCH PUBLIC HEALTH SUMMER SCHOOL 4-15 February 2008

### Courses designed for people working in the health sector

- Introduction to health research
- Introduction to evidence-based medicine
- Qualitative research methods
- Health promotion in primary care
- Introduction to evaluation of health services
- Introduction to literature searching

### Courses designed for the general public

- Ageing well: tips, tricks, and traps
- Understanding the New Zealand health system
- Reliable and relevant: finding good quality information on the internet
- Infectious diseases old and new: should you be worried

### Courses of interest to the general public and those working in the health sector

- Introduction to public health
- Introduction to Maori health
- Introduction to ethics
- Introduction to epidemiology
- Advocacy

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Snapped while presenting their dissertations as part of their Clinical Masters in Nursing studies on 7 November 2007 at CPIT were:



Colleen Wilkinson whose dissertation is on "Rural Nurse Specialist preparation for after hours health care delivery" and



Bruce Hall whose dissertation is "The relationship between the Rural Health Practitioner and their family."

Both these highly skilled nurses work within the Oxford Community Health Centre and district.

## PHO OFFICE HOURS CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

CLOSES 12 NOON  
FRIDAY, 21 DECEMBER 2007

RE-OPENS 8.00 AM  
MONDAY, 7 JANUARY 2008

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS 8 AM TO 5 PM

This is **advance notice** that there will be three sessions for practice nurses - "**Change of Heart**", presented by the Heart Foundation - to be held in the new year at:

- Rangiora - Wednesday, 5 March 2008;
- Ashburton - Saturday, 15 March;
- Christchurch - Wednesday, 19 March.

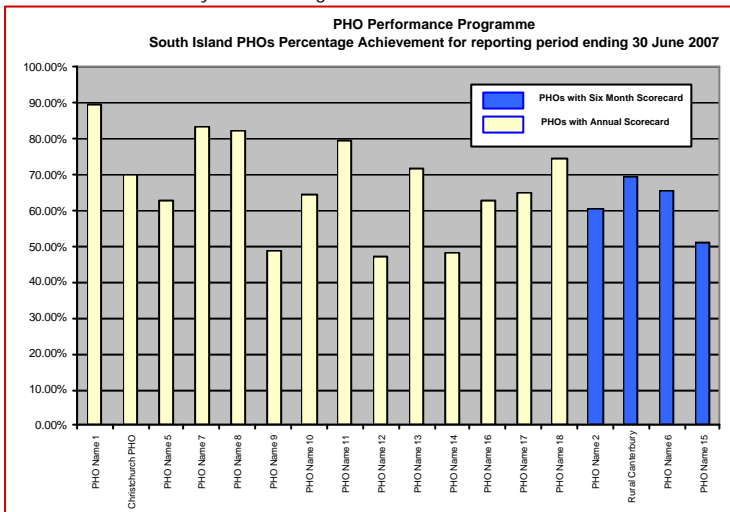
These are full day programmes for which a certificate of attendance will be awarded. Other PHOs nurses are full of praise for the programme. The considerable course cost is being paid by the PHO. This early notice gives Nurses who would like to attend time to think ahead and to arrange this with their practice. You may choose where you would like to attend the programme. Numbers will be limited for each.

CVD and diabetes risk assessments are going to be important aspects of the Performance Management Programme in 2008.

For more information and to register your interest – contact Alison Wilkie at the PHO office.

### Performance Management Programme (PMP)

Rural Canterbury PHO practices will receive their third PMP payment, and Christchurch PHO practices their second PMP payment, on 20 December. The Christchurch PHO achieved 69.88% of target for the full year; Rural Canterbury PHO achieved 34.69 points out of 50 for the six month period ending 30 June 2007. Pharmaceutical overspend in the RCPHO resulted in the loss of 7.5 points. The graph shows how the two PHOs compare with the other PHOs for which SISSAL provides services. Christchurch PHO is second from left, Rural Canterbury third from right on the chart.



### H5N1 PRE-PANDEMIC VACCINE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

The Ministry of Health manages 100,000 vaccination courses of an H5N1 pre-pandemic vaccine, made from a currently circulating H5N1 avian influenza strain. Should a human H5N1 influenza virus emerge, the vaccine will be offered to key front-line health workers and other pandemic response personnel. A consultation document providing information about the vaccine, identifying the groups to be offered the vaccine, and providing some operational details, is now available on the Ministry website at: <http://www.moh.govt.nz/moh.nsf/indexmh/h5n1-prepandemic-vaccine>

The Ministry invites written (paper or email) responses to the consultation document.

**Please send mail submissions to:**

H5N1 pre-pandemic vaccine consultation  
 C/O Dean Manning  
 Risk and Assurance  
 Ministry of Health  
 PO Box 5013  
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 Email: [dean\\_manning@moh.govt.nz](mailto:dean_manning@moh.govt.nz)  
 (please include 'H5N1 consultation' in the subject line)  
 Telephone enquiries to: Martin Davis, 04 460 4768.

Staff member	Group
Atison Wilkie, PMP and Education Coordinator	Pandemic Planning
Geraldine Clemens, Projects Planning	CDHB Steering Committee for the Model of Care, which is Older Persons Health CDHB Cardio Vascular design team CDHB Workshops for Neurology, Cancer, Women's health, Diabetes, Respiratory, Cardiovascular Provider meetings for Women's health, Diabetes, Respiratory. 6 weekly meetings for Diabetes from a Population health focus. CDHB's Strategic plan for Chronic Conditions
Paul Wynands, Clinical Psychologist	ACCESS Canterbury
Vacant Position, Child Health Liaison	Child Health Design Team - CDHB DHBNZ Immunisation Service Delivery Neurology Workshop - CDHB Rangiora Intersectorial Group Ashburton Access to Health and Services



New HP and SIA Project Officer, Jill Robinson, visiting Diamond Harbour Medical .

### CVD and Diabetes Capability Assessment

A template has been sent to all practice managers to complete and return to the PHO office as soon as possible. The PHO readiness for CVD and diabetes risk management is a performance indicator for this period. Your assistance in completing this template – which will not be as onerous as it may on first appearances look – will be greatly appreciated. Managing the CVD and diabetes risk assessments will be included as new performance indicators in the PMP for 2008.

