

RURAL CANTERBURY

Primary Health Organisation Te Roopu Hauora Matua O Waitaha Taiwhenua

Rural Canterbury PHO Board - Bullet Point Update

Bullet Points from the Board meeting

- ◆ A meeting between interested parties in Akaroa (CDHB, Ngai Tahu, Medical Centre and PHO) has been called to discuss the redevelopment of the hospital and medical centre, on 1 March 2010.
- ◆ Community consultation meetings have been set up by the CDHB in Kaikoura regarding the hospital on 15 March 2010. Meetings are also being held between the CDHB and Kaikoura District Council re possible alternative site for the integrated health facility.
- ◆ A Clinical Governance Group formed by Rural Canterbury PHO and Hurunui Kaikoura PHO, will meet via teleconference for the first time on Monday, 1 March 2010.
- ◆ The Board expressed its appreciation to the CEO and PHO staff for their work in writing the business case for rural integrated family health centres (services) as part of the Canterbury Clinical Network (CCN) business case to be sent to the Ministry of Health by 1 March 2010. This was the next step following the EOI process at the end of 2009.
- ◆ The Hurunui Kaikoura PHO Board Chair advised that at their Board meeting last week it was resolved that HKPHO agreed, in principle, to progress the amalgamation of HKPHO with RCPHO. The RCPHO Board resolved to progress a merger between the two PHOs and Bill Eschenbach was tasked with writing a proposal for both Boards outlining the steps to be taken and possible representation on a re-constituted Board.
- ◆ Tai Chi, Diamond Harbour - funds collected from the participants of this programme have been donated to the purchased of a syringe driver/ancillary pump for Diamond Harbour Medical Ltd. Further funds collected from this programme will be used to purchase an ECG machine also.
- 0.5 FTE Health Promoter Waimakariri—Vicky Anderson has commenced in this role (replacing Katy Patterson).
- Ashburton Youth Health Centre has appointed a coordinator, Gabrielle Isaac, commencing 1 March 2010.

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Excerpts from CEO's Report

- CarePlus Uptake at 82%.
- Primary Mental Health referrals for January 2010:
 - ◆ BIC - Waimakariri 32; Ashburton 18 and Banks Peninsula 2.
 - ◆ Youth BIC - Waimakariri— 5 referrals.
 - ◆ Clinical Psychologist, new referrals 3 and 37 sessions.
 - ◆ 0-3% GP Liaison for rural Canterbury (Kaikoura to Ashburton), contacts 49.
 - ◆ Youth BIC Ashburton— Lorraine Bennett will commence on 8 March 2010.
- Women's Wellness - 307 completed.
- Men's Wellness Checks - 275, from 1 July 2009.
- Respiratory Nurse contacts for January 2010: 7 referrals, 23 follow-up visits and 4 phone checks; 8 Spirometry tests performed.

Enrolled Population for
Rural Canterbury PHO,
as at 1 January 2010 **69512**

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