

# 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

25 May 2010

#### Excerpts from CEO's Report

- Louise Davis, Practice Nurse representative on the Board, attended her last meeting. A presentation of flowers was made to her and her commitment and involvement in the Board was acknowledged. Fiona Martin (Rakaia Medical Centre) was nominated at the PN rep and will attend her first meeting on 29 June 2010.
  - The Canterbury Clinical Network are currently preparing a synopsis of the BSMC (Better Sooner More Convenient) process to date, which will be made available to general practice teams when it is received by the PHO.
  - The Primary Mental Health Workforce Development Plan prepared by Helen Telford on behalf of Christchurch PHO, Canterbury Community PHO, Rural Canterbury PHO, Partnership Health PHO, Pacific Trust and Pegasus Health has been accepted by the CDHB. Recruitment has commenced to employ a Workforce Coordinator to review training needs.
  - The PHO Chairs and CEO's meet monthly, to work together as a group, with the CDHB, to have clear communication and information. The next meeting will discuss a number of issues brought to this board meeting: Configuration of PHOs; Collective Decision Making, CDHB; District Alliance Agreement.
  - General practice have expressed the wish to be informed on what is happening in primary health—the PHO is attempting to be transparent and keep members up to date on what is happening, but things are changing frequently. Meetings with general practice teams need to be more frequent to keep them informed.
  - TestSafe—access to Éclair for lab results is being rolled out to all practices over the next few months. All HKPHO practices and the five remote rural practices will be on line by the end of this month.
  - A policy on review and audit for services and programmes provided in general practice is to be referred to the PHO's Clinical Governance Group. This audit policy should be applied to all outliers (outside the norm).
  - The merger of RCPHO and HKPHO will be operational by 1 July 2010. The practice registers for the third quarter have been picked up together, and forwarded to HealthPac.
  - Representatives on the RCPHO Board, from Hurunui Kaikoura, are:
    - Sharron Bonnafoux, Community Representative
    - Dr Chris Henry, Health Provider Representative
    - Mike Northmore – seconded to the RCPHO Board for 12 months.
    - The Manawhenua ki Waitaha representative is to be advised.
  - A successful Suicide Prevention Day / Stress workshop, supported by RCPHO, was held at Lincoln College by the Rural Support Trust.
- CarePlus Uptake at 87%.
  - Primary Mental Health referrals for March 2010:
    - ◆ BIC - Waimakariri 45; Ashburton 28 and Banks Peninsula 3.
    - ◆ Youth BIC - Waimakariri: 9 referrals.
    - ◆ Youth BIC - Ashburton: 3 referrals.
    - ◆ Clinical Psychologist, new referrals 7 and 54 sessions.
    - ◆ 0-3% GP Liaison for rural Canterbury (Kaikoura to Ashburton), contacts 96.
  - Women's Wellness - 359 completed, year to date.
  - Men's Wellness Checks - 336, from 1 July 2009.
  - Respiratory Nurse contacts for April 2010: 8 referrals, 15 follow-up visits and 15 phone checks; 5 Spirometry tests performed.
  - Rural Canterbury PHO have achieved 42.99% out of 50 points in the 6 month's results, 1 July to 31 December 2009, of the PHO Performance Programme. The payment to practices will be made in June.
  - B4 School Checks completed by the PHO employed nurse, on behalf of practices, in April were 33. Six clinics have been held in April, with a further 12 planned for May.
  - Ashburton Youth Health Centre re-launched as HYPE (Helping Young People Engage).

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