

MINUTES Open

TARANAKI DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

10 March 2011

2.30pm

Corporate Meeting Room 1

Base Hospital

David Street

New Plymouth

Present

Mary Bourke (Chair), Peter Catt (Deputy Chair), Alex Ballantyne, Kura Denness, Karen Eagles, Flora Gilkison, Brian Jeffares, Pauline Lockett, Alison Rumball, Colleen Tuuta

In Attendance

Tony Foulkes (Chief Executive), George Thomas (General Manager Finance & Corporate Services), Rosemary Clements (Acting General Manager Hospital and Specialist Services), Sandra Boardman (General Manager Planning, Funding and Population Health), Ngawai Henare (Chief Advisor Maori Health), Kerry-Ann Adlam (Director of Nursing), Sue Carrington (Communications), Jenny McLennan (Minute Taker)

662.0 Apologies

Resolution

That the apology from Ella Borrows be received.

*Rumball/Catt
Carried*

663.0 Conflict of Interest

The Conflict of Interest Register was circulated for members to review and sign with no new interests declared.

664.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolution

That the Minutes of the Taranaki District Health Board 10 February 2011 be confirmed as a true and accurate record subject to the following amendment:-

Item 658.1

It was noted that while the acute readmission rate of 10% was the target rate as set by the Ministry, it's acceptability was questioned by some member of the Board (TDHB result Q1 = 11.39%).

*Bourke/Gilkison
Carried*

665.0 Matters Arising

665.1 Letter from Dr Keith Blayney

Mr Foulkes advised that he hoped to be able to provide an update on oral health services at the next Board meeting.

666.0 Board Committee Reports

666.1 Community & Public Health/Disability Support Advisory Committee

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board receive and note the draft minutes of the Community & Public Health/Disability Support Advisory Committee meeting held 22 February 2011 and note the recommendations contained therein with the following clarifications which would be amended at the Committee meeting:-

Item 630.1- Clinical Project Group

The Group had focused on the six business case areas rather than the high level overview.

Item 629.1 – Management Reports

- Dr Catt noted that the diabetes local target was 83% and that as a General Practitioner within the Midland Group, was achieving 80% against a target of 60%. Taranaki was performing better than others in this area.*

*Bourke/Denness
Carried*

666.2 Matters Arising

666.2.1 Presentations – Communicable Diseases in Taranaki and Child & Youth Services in Taranaki

Dr Gilkison commented on the excellent presentations given by Dr Greg Simmons and Mrs Boardman on their respective topic of interest.

666.2.2 Stratford Health Centre

Mr Jeffares advised that the official opening of the Stratford Health Centre was not likely to be held before April or May.

666.3 Hospital Advisory Committee

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board receive and note the minutes of the Hospital Advisory Committee held 22 February 2011 and note the recommendations contained therein. The required completion of the apology resolution and the correction to TPW was noted

*Bourke/Rumball
Carried*

667.0 Chairman's Report

The Chair advised that along with the Chief Executive and other members of the Executive Management team (EMT) the Taranaki DHB had appeared before the Health Select Committee and that it had gone exceedingly well. Other members of the EMT had joined the hearing by video conference. Miss Bourke commended Mr Foulkes and the EMT on the amount of work that

had gone into responding to, and preparing for the Select Committee and that the Board could be proud of how Mr Foulkes and the team had represented the DHB.

668.0 Management Reports

668.1 Chief Executive's Report

The Chief Executive took his report as read highlighting the following:-

- Support continued to be provided to the Canterbury DHB at both a national emergency response level and to fellow DHB colleagues following the recent tragic earthquake.
- National CEO forum remains focused on the importance of the health targets and Minister's Letter of Expectation while recognising the new and ongoing challenges within the health sector.
- Taranaki strong in five of the six health targets with results in the top eight nationally.

Discussion

- Mrs Boardman noted that the excellent results in the Diabetes and Cardiovascular services reflected the efforts of local PHO's.
- The positive immunisations results and comments by the Target Champion were noted with Ms Tuuta reiterating the advice to share best practice with regional colleagues. Mrs Boardman advised that there are differing reasons for lower immunisation rates and that while there were good results community there remains some areas in Taranaki that were not as supportive of immunisation.

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board notes and receives the report and attachments of the Chief Executive.

*Bourke/Catt
Carried*

668.2 Finance and Corporate Services Report

Mr Thomas took his report as read highlighting a number of points:

- Year to date financial results marginally better than plan and on track to meet budget as it stands.

Discussion

- Ms Denness questioned the reported cash-flow summary against the reported bank account details. Mr Thomas advised that there was reconciliation between the two with unrepresented cheques etc.
- Mr Thomas advised that the leave liability was assessed on an annual basis and fell within the various operational lines with required adjustments made at the end of each month. Dr Gilkison questioned the overall management of leave and was advised that 70% of accumulated leave belonged with Senior Medical staff.

Mr Foulkes reminded members that a component of Project Whakapai addressed annual leave management and that this would improve as the project progressed. Ms Lockett noted that the cost of annual leave impacted on the financial statement.

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board notes and receives the General Manager Finance & Corporate Services report and attachments.

*Jeffares/Catt
Carried*

669.0 Other Business

669.1 South Taranaki – Alive with Opportunities for better Health Care

The General Manager Planning & Funding took the South Taranaki report which included the Project Management Plan as read and invited any comments from members.

Discussion

- Ms Lockett thought it would be beneficial to include definitions of some of the terms used eg. Acute, elective. It was noted that groups that were to be engaged with would understand the terminology used.
- Miss Bourke questioned how objectives would be measured to ensure they have been met. Mrs Boardman advised that KPIs were in place to measure the outcome of the consultation process.
- It was noted that the Project Management Plan had been presented to the Steering Group for their consideration and endorsement.
- Mr Ballanyrne noted that the information provided was keeping the Board informed on progress in South Taranaki noting that while no decisions had yet been made the project would be seeking input from the community. This would ensure that future proposals result in the provision of the same or better quality of care as currently received.

Miss Bourke noted that the project provided a genuine attempt to find a way through the interesting challenges.

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board endorse the Project Management Plan for 'South Taranaki – Alive with opportunities for better health care'

*Bourke/Eagles
Carried*

670.0 Date of Next Meeting

The next Board meeting was scheduled to be held on Thursday, 7 April 2011 in Hawera.

671.0 Exclusion of Public

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board exclude the public from the meeting on the basis of the following matters:

1. To present Taranaki District Health Board Minutes pursuant to an earlier resolution publicly excluding the item
2. To present Minutes of Committee meetings pursuant to an earlier resolution publicly excluding the item.

3. To present Chief Executive's Report in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to:

(g) Enable the DHB, Board or Board Committee holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.

(h) Enable the DHB, Board or Board Committee holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

4. Annual Plan in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to:

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5. Maori Health Plan Report in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to:

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Chairman

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Date