



MINUTES Open - Unconfirmed

TARANAKI DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

18 March 2010
2.30pm
Corporate Meeting Room 1
Base Hospital
David Street
New Plymouth

Present

John Young (Chairman), Peter Catt, Alex Ballantyne, Mary Bourke, Kura Denness, Karen Eagles, Flora Gilkison, Jenny Nager, Dan Devadhar,

In Attendance

Tony Foulkes (Chief Executive), George Thomas (General Manager Finance & Corporate Services), Joy Farley (General Manager Hospital Services), Sandra Boardman (General Manager Planning Funding & Population Health), Krysti Wetton (Communications), Jenny McLennan (PA to the Board)

571.0 Declaration to Open Meeting

The meeting was opened at 2.30pm.

572.0 Apologies/Leave of Absence

Apologies from Tony Ruakere and leave of absence from Grant Knuckey

573.0 Conflicts of Interest

The register of conflict was circulated for members to review with no new interests declared.

574.0 Minutes

Resolution

That the Minutes of the Taranaki District Health Board meeting held 11 February 2010 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

*Bourke/Gilkison
Carried*

575.0 Board Committee Reports

575.1 Hospital Advisory Committee

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board receive the unconfirmed Minutes of the Hospital Advisory Committee meeting held on 23 February 2010 and notes recommendations contained therein subject to the inclusion of Flora Gilkison as present.

Nager/Catt
Carried

575.2 Community and Public Health and Disability Support Advisory Committee

Resolution

That the Taranaki District Health Board receive the unconfirmed Minutes of the Community and Public Health and Disability Support Advisory Committee meeting held on 23 February 2010 and notes recommendations contained therein.

Gilkison/Ballantyne
Carried

Matters Arising

575.3 . Project Splice

Noted that assistance from Work and Income applies to outdoor work only and those with community services card.

Confirmed that reference to age of assessment incorporates well-being of Maori.

576.0 Chairman's Report

The Chairman advised that the Ministers message remains prudent and that the Demand for health services in 10 years will be twice what it is now. (FG)

Mr Young added that Mr Foulkes was the CEO lead in IT portfolio. The National IT plan which will apply across the sector under development and should be completed within the month and ready for implementation for new financial year.

577.0 Management Reports

577.1 Chief Executive's Report

Mr Foulkes took his report as read highlighting:

- Significant activity occurring relating national implementations from MRG report with establishment of new boards and organisations.
- Message from Minister regarding expectations of DHBs financial performance continues to be consistent
- Letter of Expectation was circulated for members information
- Health Targets tracking well with increased activities underway.
- Project Maunga presentation at next Board
- Financial performance forecast worse than planned and need to signal the challenge of continuing to deliver specialist services.

Discussion

Bonding of Medical School trainees – It was noted that Taranaki are not included on the list that allows DHB to instigate contractual bonding. Mr Foulkes advised he had asked the General Manager Human Resources to seek opportunities for the future.

Outsourced Personnel – As discussed at the Hospital Advisory Committee details to be deconstructed more to enable areas of over expenditure to be portrayed.

Heath Targets - Diabetes & cardiovascular. Support activities for diabetes and cardiovascular provided by PHO's which then flows through to specialist services within the hospital.

ED Services - Mrs Farley advised staff well aware of six hour waiting time target which should be relayed to patients as appropriate.

577.2 Finance & Corporate Services Report

Mr Thomas took his report as read highlighting the following:

- Trend as per previous months in specialist services with forecast remaining unchanged. Consolidated results within plan moving into last quarter with close watch required.

Discussion

Dr Devadhar questioned whether there was any evidence within report of moving back house expenditure to front line as per Ministers expectations. Mr Foulkes advised Ministers expectations always at forefront of consideration noting that strategies of the Shared Services Board will also help address considerations in this area.

Mr Thomas advised Investment in front line services continues to develop in areas of clinical practice, rostering and additional activities. Significant increase in costs associated with the investment in front line services including in cost increase in other core staff, increase in wages, increase cost of employing clinical staff due to changed to the MECA 3 years ago to address historic anomalies. All these factors contribute to the financial 'story'.

Mr Foulkes advised the Ministry were developing a tool to measure the productivity of the sector which they will apply to the draft DAP to enable productivity improvements to be measured. DHBs currently working through their understanding of the tool and debating its application of productivity measurement. Noted that the comparison of FTE against caseweights as a measurement tool is thwart with inaccuracy.

It was noted that since 2005/06 there has been an increase of 25% in elective services and that it was not possible to increase elective services with out an increase in associated costs.

Mr Thomas advised that Allied Health and nursing along with some back-office functions were included in reviews underway to assist in the planned reduction of \$3.5m adding that while some reviews had commenced and were continuing there was often a time lag before realised savings line up against budget. There was a need to monitor closely variance on untargeted movement in budget lines. Mrs Farley advised that all initiatives were monitored on a monthly basis.

578.0 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled to be held on Thursday 8 April 2010 in New Plymouth.

Mr Young thanked members for accommodating the revised meeting date for April. Dr Catt suggested that the meeting calendar for next year take into consideration the requirements that occur during this time each year. Mr Foulkes agreed adding his appreciation to the Board for accommodating the move of the March board meeting.

573.0 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).*
- 4.1. *To present reports on Ambulance Services affecting future funding and delivery of health services in Taranaki in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the with holding 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).*
- 4.2 *To present reports on Hawera Hospital options affecting future funding and delivery of health services in Taranaki in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the with holding 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).

4.3 To present reports on the Draft DAP2010/11 affecting future funding and delivery of health services in Taranaki in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the with holding of the information is necessary to:

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

4.4. To present reports on the Primary Care EOI's/Business Cases – National Maori Coalition affecting future funding and delivery of health services in Taranaki in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the with holding of the information is necessary to:

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4.4. To present reports on the Primary Care EOI's/Business Cases –Midland Networkr affecting future funding and delivery of health services in Taranaki in that the public conduct of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information

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Gilkison/Nager
Carried

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Chairman

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Date