

Minutes of the Disability Support Advisory Committee

of the meeting held on Monday 12th June 2006, 2.00-4.00pm at Boardroom, Lambie Drive, Manukau.

1. Present:	<p>Mrs Jillian Dooley(Chairperson), Prof. Sir John Scott, , Mr Don Barker, Ms Heather Grace, , Mr Bill Mudgway, Ms Miria Andrews, Mr Vaughan Dodd,, Mr Ezekiel Robson</p> <p>In attendance: , Ms Jenni Coles, Ms Subha Srinivasan (secretary)</p>
Apologies:	<p>Mr Pat Snedden, Ms Denise Ewe, Mr Bob Wichman, Mr Mike Cohen, Ms Chris Ellis, Mr Chris Mules</p> <p>Resolution: Note the apologies received.</p> <p>Moved: Mr Bill Mudgway Seconded: Ms Miria Andrews Carried: Unanimous</p>
Action	
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted a correction under Disclosure of Interest for Ms Heather Grace. <p>Resolution: The minutes of the meeting of DiSAC held on Monday 10th April 2006, having been circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.</p> <p>Moved: Mr Don Barker Seconded: Sir John Scott Carried: Unanimous</p>
3. Matters Arising:	<p><u>Disability strategy Action Plan - Update report from Stella Ward in response to query re consultation tabled</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted the consultation process has been outlined extensively in this update. - The plan has been approved by DiSAC and the Board, elements that are annual activity will be picked up in the DAP. This committee will monitor the progress in these activities. - Noted that DAP for 06/07 will be drafted around November/December and will be circulated for input from DiSAC. - Noted that the following be included in list of abbreviations Ø AiMHI

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ø DSP Ø HOP Ø LBD Ø PATHS Ø TOR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that the DSP has been signed off by the MoH. Planning for printing and a formal launch of the plan to the community. Also plan a road show and structured media release. - This document is the DHB mandate for action including all community feedback. 	
4. Procedural Issues	<p>Disclosure of Interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <p>Membership</p> <p>The terms for the following members have been extended till May 2007</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heather Grace - Ezekial Robson - Chris Ellis - Professor John Scott <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vaughan Dodd to July 2007 - Noted that PHAC representation to be discussed at next meeting and confirmed. - Note that the Manawhenua representatives' membership expires in June 2006 and will be discussed at the upcoming Pou meeting. - Noted that representation from disabled committee is not an elected process. The membership reflects a mixture of experience. <p>Terms of Reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Following discussions with the Committee noted that the terminology "people with disabilities" be changed to "disabled people". - Jenni to check the Disability Strategy document re the terminology changes <p>Resolution:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Recommend</u> to the Board that the terms of reference for DiSAC are updated to exclude the responsibility of Health of Older People's services in addition to any other amendments agreed by DiSAC at the meeting (refer updated terms of reference attached). 2. <u>Note</u> the DiSAC terms of reference have not been reviewed or updated since October 2003, even though the Board had agreed to transfer the responsibility for Health of Older People's services from DiSAC to the Community & Public Health Advisory Committee, after the devolution of these services from the Ministry of Health. <p>Moved: Ms Heather Grace Seconded: Ms Miria Andrews Carried: Unanimous</p>	

<p>5. Regional Chairs meeting</p>	<p>Update by Jillian Dooley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted minutes from meeting dated 7th March tabled for members information. - Meeting with Labour Caucus on 16th June – specifically called to meet the DHBs. - CMDHB presentation to focus on the DHB perspective and the challenges faced. - Page 15 – boundary issues is with reference to definition of disability. - The boundary issues has been a problem for a while. Discussions occurring between ACC and MoH as funding/prioritisation is a problem. - The health boundary definition is skewed which has resulted in this problem 	
<p>6. Update from HR</p>	<p>Disability Coordinator role</p> <p>Ms Jenni Coles provided an update re progress on this</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This role will focus on the DHB's disability strategy action plan and provide an interface between the DHB and the community. - This role will report to the GM – Human Resources and operationally keep the DAP actions progressed. - A job description is being finalised and will be forwarded. - DiSAC involvement in the recruitment process. - Mr Vaughan Dodd noted that it is important for HR advertising to target people as wide as possible beyond NZ Herald - Noted this will be contestable process. DiSAC to have a representation/involvement through short listing and interviewing. - The role will be based at the MMH – HR. - This will commence as a .5 FTE with responsibilities covering areas such as policy/education and HR/access. - Learning from the WDHB experience, the ideal situation would be 2 .5 FTE roles as the roles support each other. - Noted that Mr Bill Mudgway will represent DiSAC in the recruitment, interview process. <p>Disability Responsiveness Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted the pilot training is scheduled for 16th and 23rd June. The training will be delivered by two providers who closely meet the selection criteria. - DiSAC members are welcome to attend the training. - Noted that it is important to have an external evaluation as to the effectiveness of the training for the attendees and the organisation. - The education framework has been included in developing the course. - Hospital staff are targeted for the 1st pilot training. - A conclusive recording of the findings will be presented at a future meeting. - Query re contingency plan if the numbers are short in the attendance. 	

<p>7. Funder Responsibility for long term condition</p>	<p>Ms Jenni Coles provided an update on this:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As noted in the feedback through the regional chairs meeting, a DHB/MoH workshop on addressing the unmet long term disability support needs for people with chronic health conditions was held in May. - The purpose of the workshop was to develop a shared understanding and approach to addressing access issues faced by people with disabling chronic conditions. - General principles and way of working together have been agreed upon. Some of the key principles include access to support services based on need, timely and appropriate response to clients needs, nationally consistent policy, resolve funding and service gaps assessment and access processes clear and simple. - Agreement to a short-term project to develop a proposal to allocate funds from 06/07 year to meet the most pressing unmet needs and long-term project to address the issue of funding responsibility for long-term support services for this group. 	
<p>8. PATHS programme</p>	<p>Ms Jude Woolston, Programme Manager provided an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This is an intersectoral programme involving the DHB, MSD and its Work & Income division. - Prior to PATHS, there was no mechanism to help those wishing to return to workforce. - This programme focuses on working with people as individuals and reducing systemic barriers. - Funded by MSD, this has now been rolled out in BOP, Christchurch, Wellington and New Plymouth. - The programme integrates health and welfare thus a seamless process for the clients ensuring they also get all their benefits. - This is a unique service about identifying what the participants perceive as their key barrier to employment. - Referral to the programme is through Work & Income case manager or the GP. - This is available to those who live within this DHB boundary, have a health condition which is a barrier and risk of being on the benefit long-term. The programme doesn't take ACC clients. - There are two components to this programme – those clients with physical health and mental health conditions. - The programme is run off a cross-sectoral team with staff from the DHB and MSD. - In terms of process, the coordinator meets their client for a discussion and work with them to manage their condition to make work a viable option. - The PATHS health broker is made aware of their limitations. - Mr Vaughan Dodd noted that the disabled community had concerns re potential employment affecting their benefits. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Jude Woolston clarified that this programme is about sustainable employment not increasing the numbers. - The team are careful where the clients are placed for employment, monitor to ensure they're not being exploited and won't pull out till they're satisfied the client is ok. - Participation in the programme is voluntary and noted the good mix of Maori and Pacific people in the 45-64 age band. - Some of the key Counties Manukau PATHS statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ø 80% referral is through a Work & Income case manager, Ø Out of 159 referrals, 52 are in the 45-64 year age band Ø There's a higher male participants – 58% compared to 42% female participants Ø 51% participants indicate back/joint pain as diagnosis Ø 185 participants have been enrolled in the programme and 52 of these have secured employment. - Ms Jude Woolston clarified that PATHS has picked up Workbridge clients and are ok to work and link with any supported employment services. - In response to a query if surgery required to help a client, it was clarified that they're already picked up in the health system, so not necessary to allocate funds for it. - Funding is capped up to \$7k per person. - The role of the work broker is defined by the clear guidelines from clinical teams to understand needs. - Noted that WINZ case managers are increasing the awareness, the PATHS team have presentations at different branches, continuing to engage with GPs. - Any feedback/queries can be addressed to Ms Jude Woolston. 	
<p>9. Month Report</p>	<p>Ms Jenni Coles provided an update on the DAP monthly report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted progress is recorded in the "Actions to date" column. - In response to a query whether disability includes Mental Health, it was clarified this paper focuses on physical disability, but also works with Mental Health. - Noted that IT systems are being set up to ensure service information for the disabled community is available. - Discussion on the best approach to ensure information is available to the disabled community - To provide an update on Web Health and Health Point interface at a future meeting. - Important to translate the information available and ensure it's accessible to the disabled community. - Query if the Manukau City Council Disability 	

	<p>Advisory group can link with DiSAC in adding value in building, managing and sharing resources to benefit the community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that Sir John has a contact who may be skilled to work in this area with the DHB. - Way forward – to plan for this as a priority in the next budget. - Suggestion that MCC/DHB establish a telephone based system to disseminate information as a joint project? It was agreed to do this, allote the dollars, take a risk and make it happen. - This would be a 24-hour access automated service with various options working conjunction with the MCC/DHB website. - There will be a call-centre link for following up on messages. - Chair of the MCC – Disability group to be invited to a future DiSAC meeting to establish linkage. - Need to review Web Health and see how accessible it is to the disabled community. In responding to a query on how this can be improved, Ms Jenni Coles to check with Mr Tony Kake re the guidelines. - Ms Jenni Coles to follow up on the discussion points and report at next DiSAC. - 	
10. For information only	<p>Terms of Reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted that TOR needs to be updated reflecting the HOP responsibilities given over to CPHAC. - Board to sign off updated TOR for DiSAC. 	
11. General Business	-	
Adjournment:	The meeting closed at 4.10pm	
Next Meeting:	Monday, 14th August, 1.00 to 4.00pm, Boardroom, 19 Lambie Drive	
<p>Signed as a true and correct record on the 14th August 2006</p> <p>Chair: Ms Jillian Dooley</p> <p>Resolution The minutes of the meeting of the Disability Support Advisory Committee of Counties Manukau District Health Board of 12th June 2006 are approved.</p> <p>Moved: Mrs Jillian Dooley Seconded: Ms Miria Andrews Carried: Unanimous</p>		