

Minutes of Meeting of the Pacific Health Advisory Committee
held in the Boardroom, DHB Offices, Lambie Drive, Manukau
on Thursday 1 May 2003 at 2.00pm

Present: Dr Juliet Walker (Chair), Dr Siro Fuata'i, Mr Ika Tameifuna, Mr Tu'uta Pome'e, Ms Bernadette Pone, Mr Sefita Haouli, Mrs Metua Faasisila, Mrs Audrey Aumua

Apologies: Ms Ailua Fatialofa, Mr Nonumalo Taufao Lurch, Rev Tavake Tupou

In attendance: Mr Tony Brown, Mr Lincoln Papali'i and Mrs Anna-Maree Harris

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed Mrs Audrey Aumua to her first meeting. It was noted that there were no members of the public or media in attendance.

Mr Tu'uta Pome'e offered the opening prayer.

2. Apologies

Mrs Ailua Fatialofa, Mr Nonumalo Taufao Lurch, Rev Tavake Tupou

Moved: Mrs Metua Faasisila

Seconded: Mr Sefita Haouli

3. Minutes of last meeting-dated 27 March 2003

The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and approved.

Moved: Ms Bernadette Pone

Seconded: Mr Tu'uta Pome'e

4. Matters Arising

Mr Tony Brown advised the Committee that Mr Tevita Hingano is to be employed for a period of 15 months to develop and implement a Pacific Primary Mental Health model in Counties Manukau. This involves enhancing the mental health skills of PHO staff and building in the links and integration between both services.

Item 6

- Mr Nonumalo Lurch will consider the Pacific Mental Health plan and report back to the next meeting.

Item 9

- Clarification was sought on PPD funding for Disability from the Ministry of Health. Mr Brown advised that disability funding is funded from the Ministry of Health and not the District Health Board. PPD funding was allocated to Pacific providers who had existing contracts with Counties Manukau District Health Board.

5. Procedural

Committee Re-appointments

The vacancy on the CPHAC committee, due to the resignation of Dr Debbie Ryan was discussed. Ms Bernadette Pone was nominated as a member of this committee and accepted the position.

Moved: Dr Juliet Walker

Seconded: Dr Siro Fuata'i

Mr Tu'uta Pome'e has agreed to provide PHAC with the names of two persons to sit on DiSAC. The Committee will discuss the nominations prior to the positions being offered.

6. CPHAC update

Mrs Metua Faasisila updated the meeting on the recent CPHAC meeting. Points of note to this Committee were:

- PHOs – it was noted that by July 2003, a total of 9 PHOs will have been set up.
- Pharmaceutical issues – there is currently some dispute between the Pharmacy Guild and PHARMAC. It is becoming unviable for some pharmacies to remain open and this will affect our people who may not be able to travel to a pharmacy in a neighbouring suburb.
- Dental Service – Waitemata DHB presented some statistics on regional dental services. The Secretary will request a copy of these for the Committee.

The Committee requested that the quarterly report against the Pacific Health Disability Action Plan be presented to PHAC prior to CPHAC to allow members time to consider any implications contained in it.

A recent draft paper on community engagement by Mr Chris Mules, the Chief Planning and Funding Officer will be presented to Committee members.

The Chairperson requested that these issues be raised at the meeting on 29 May 2003.

7. Presentation - Pacific Disabilities Support, Ministry of Health

Ms Therese Weir from the Disability Services Directorate, Ministry of Health presented an update on the direction of the Ministry's provision of disabilities services.

The DSS contracts for the provision of support for the disabled community are moving towards a self management system for disabled people where customised packages will be fitted around individuals in instances where existing services are not suitable. Ms Weir outlined the work of the current providers in South Auckland and their areas of focus.

The Chair and members of the committee thanked Ms Weir for her presentation.

8. Other Business

The Committee discussed holding a workshop to review the Committee's Terms of Reference and to plan its primary areas of focus for the coming year. This will be discussed further at the next meeting on 29 May 2003.

Mr Tony Brown advised that the Executive Management Team will discuss the draft community engagement paper at its next meeting. It was noted that this is an area that requires further detailed information.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.10pm.

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 29 May 2003 from 1.30 – 4.30 pm.**
(Please note the extended meeting time).

Action Points

(from March action points)

- Mr Nonumalo Lurch is to consider the Pacific Mental Health plan and report back to the next meeting.

Item 6

Mrs Metua Faasisila is to contact Mr Tony Brown to discuss those issues raised at CPHAC with implications for PHAC.

- Mr Lincoln Papali'i is to provide the Committee with information on the dental and pharmaceutical issues raised at CPHAC.