

Pacific Health Advisory Committee

Minutes

Of the meeting held on Wednesday, 18 March 2009, from 9am to 12pm in the Manukau Boardroom, CMDHB, 19 Lambie Drive, Manukau City

Attendees	Anae Arthur Anae (AA – Chair), Sefita Hao'uli (SH – acting Chair after AA left the meeting at 10.03am) Louisa Lavakula (LL), Malia Hamani (MH), Dr Etuate Lui Saafi (ELS), Leau Peter Skelton (PS), Philip Beilby (PB), Lope Ginnen (LG), Nuku Rapana (NR), Bernadette Pereira (BP)
CMDHB	Manu Sione (MS), Sam Cliffe (SC), Kirk Mariner(KM), Lani Stowers (LS) Ropeti Gafa (RG), Silao Vaisola-Sefo (SVS), Vicky Tafau (VT)
Apologies	Stephanie Erick-Peleti, Roine Lealaialoto, Ruth De Souza, Anae Arthur Anae (from 10am onwards)
Absent	Bernadette Pereira, Nuku Rapana, Anne Candy

Actions from Previous Meeting	Action Items
PHAC would like to know what the scope and direction of future investments are that the MoH are looking at in terms of Family Carer Support. MH to report back to PHAC.	MH
MS to gather further PHAC members for a further discussion in the New Year around the reducing of inequalities.	MS Completed
It was raised that a recommendation be made by MS to the CFO that all Board members sitting on Advisory Committees, etc should be recompensed for their time and discussion was tabled around the level of information that members are required to keep up to date with.	MS/SH
MS to draft a letter of PHAC support for the Pacific Woman's Health Research Unit to assist in further applications for funding.	MS
VT to provide PHAC members with the Cultural Competency Training booklet. The PHT are attempting to implement a web-based survey tool to track peoples learning's and how they implement that after the training has been completed.	VT
AA keen to see a paper prepared for the Board – listing the achievements of the LotuMoui program. He has definite concerns over this program being put out to the community. AA is passionate about this program remaining neutral with the DHB. The paper is to be presented at PHAC next month and the Board in April.	AA/MS/KM
Health Research Strategy - the presentation included in the meeting papers differs from the one presented at the meeting. VT to email the 2 nd presentation to PHAC members and to include it in the next set of meeting papers.	VT
MS is to ask John Baker and Maika Veikune to provide more financial information, what other organisations are involved and further information around the process followed in developing this strategy.	MS
ES has been asked to provide his expertise as to whether or not this Health Research Strategy will enable the right outcome for Pacific peoples. This will take place as part of the discussion on Monday, 30 March.	ELS
VT will send out the revised agenda for the PHT/PHAC offsite on Monday, 30 March.	VT
MS to check the nomination process that was disseminated by the Board.	MS

Topics	Discussion	Action Items
Welcome	<p>Meeting was opened at 9.10am with a prayer from Leau Peter Skelton.</p> <p>MS introduced Sam Cliffe to the PHAC forum and a round table introduction ensued.</p> <p>Apologies were accepted.</p>	
DAP Update Sam Cliffe	<p>SC gave PHAC an update on where CMDHB are up to with meeting their DAP requirements.</p> <p>It's about getting our Mainstream providers to also focus on Maori and Pacific. By our May deadline we need to be in a break-even position. Currently conducting a line by line review of our existing contracts.</p> <p>Looking at how LotuMoui and LBD (HEHA) measure up against our other NGO contracts. It's about how they look on the bottom line.</p> <p>Will have to go back to the Board if the direction we are heading in takes us away from our Strategic intent.</p> <p>SC assured PHAC that patient care would not be compromised.</p>	
Minutes of the Previous Meeting	<p>Minutes of the previous meeting (18 February 2009) were accepted.</p> <p>Moved: Nuku Rapana</p> <p>Seconded: Bernadette Pereira</p> <p>Action points for the meeting of 18 March 2009 to be carried over until the next PHAC meeting on 15 April 2009.</p>	
LotuMoui Health Program A discussion paper. Manu Sione	<p>AA is concerned with the idea that LotuMoui may be moved out of the PHT and with the non continuation of the programme – about how the Community will then view the program.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Nuku Rapana arrived at 9.37am.</p> <p>PHAC feel that LotuMoui is vulnerable in the current climate and with what CMDHB needs to achieve in regard to the DAP.</p> <p>The Chair asked the question as to what the MoH Minister's view is of Pacific Health? MS gave an overview of what the next Pacific Health Action & Disability Plan (3yr strategic plan needs to be approved and then a 1 yr action plan will be developed) will look like.</p> <p>Discussion ensued around the effectiveness of LotuMoui and how can we evidence this as some of the changes being bought around in the community will not show, possibly for a generation.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AA left the meeting at 10.03am and SH took over as Acting Chair.</p> <p>SC was asked what the worst case scenario is for Health Programs within CMDHB in regard to trimming the fat. SC advised that redundancies would be her worst case scenario.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Bernadette Pereira arrived at 10.10am.</p> <p>SC suggested that now was the time to have an initial discussion on PHAC's feelings towards LotuMoui as that was the reason for her attendance.</p> <p>PHAC feels that LotuMoui makes a geographical advancement into the community. Population Health benefits can be maintained by holding on to LotuMoui. Other Government agencies are wanting to ride this program for other avenues (education, etc) and to some extent we are gatekeepers of the program – for Health. PHAC want to ensure the faith in our Pacific Providers, as supporters of the LotuMoui program, is maintained.</p> <p>The option of Do Nothing is not acceptable to PHAC at this time.</p> <p>PHAC asked if forming a trust was a viable option. LotuMoui churches not keen to form an entity and run LotuMoui themselves.</p> <p>LotuMoui churches are also not keen to have the program sit with Providers.</p>	

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	<p>SC not keen to see LotuMoui become another small NGO – not in this current climate. General feeling is that LotuMoui is not quite ready to stand on its own as a fully developed Community Tool.</p> <p>MS advised that the PHT is reviewing the Grant Scheme provided to churches. In fact some of the churches are already continuing in the program without financial support from CMDHB.</p> <p>A timeframe should be indicated as to how Option A will be developed. Add a deliberate focus about how this program can become self-sustaining in the future.</p> <p>Motion</p> <p>PHAC fully supports the continuation of the unique LotuMoui program as being a key tool enabling CMDHB to engage with the Pacific community. PHAC recommends that the Board adopts Option A as set out in the discussion paper, subject to an additional bullet point being added in Section 4.1, page 11.</p> <p>Churches are to develop their own programs that sustain the LotuMoui principles.</p> <p>Moved: Nuku Rapana</p> <p>Seconded: Bernadette Pereira</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sam Cliffe left the meeting.</p>	
<p>Health Research Strategy John Baker</p>	<p>The presentation included in the meeting papers differs from the one presented at the meeting. VT to email the 2nd presentation to PHAC members and to include it in the next set of meeting papers.</p> <p>PHAC asked questions around the source of the funding and the response was that more financial support from external sources was required.</p> <p>CMDHB's largest funder for research is the Health Research Council. All funding has to be applied for.</p> <p>Once the strategy is approved there are plans for a Pacific Health Research Council type group. HRC has dedicated funding for this.</p> <p>PHAC has queries about the funds and another couple of queries – with the deadline of 8 April, SH suggested have a further discussion about this on Monday, 30 March with a view to have something to John Baker before 8 April.</p> <p>Want to ensure the fundamental principles outlined in the strategy are the right ones for Pacific.</p> <p>PHAC want to ensure that Pacific Peoples are more involved in the Research process.</p> <p>John Baker left the meeting and PHAC continued the discussion with a view to making a decision in regard to approving this strategy.</p> <p>Discussion ensued around the feeling that this presentation to PHAC and the inclusion of Pacific Goal in the presentation is an after thought.</p> <p>PHAC notes the recommendation to approve this strategy but before PHAC as a committee can do this further discussion is required around the concerns PHAC have noted in these minutes.</p> <p>MS is to ask John Baker and Maika Veikune to provide more financial information, what other organisations are involved and further information around the process followed in developing this strategy.</p> <p>ELS has been asked to provide his expertise as to whether or not this strategy will enable the right outcome for Pacific peoples. This will take place as part of the discussion on Monday, 30 March.</p>	<p>VT</p> <p>MS</p> <p>ELS</p>
<p>PHAC/PHT Offsite</p>	<p>Nancy provided an agenda to the PHAC committee members and ran through the expectations for the day.</p>	

Topics	Discussion	Action Items
Preparation Nancy Sheehan	VT will send out the revised agenda.	VT
Procedural Matters	Matters of membership will be raised at the meeting on 30 March 2009. Dr Andrew Chan Mow is to be considered to replace Michael Chan. MS to check the nomination process that was disseminated by the Board.	MS
Conclusion	Meeting closed at 12.33pm. Closing prayer was given by Nuku Rapana. The next meeting is on Wednesday, 15 April 2009 at CMDHB Offices, 19 Lambie Drive, Manukau City.	

Signed as a true and correct record on **Wednesday, 20 May 2009.**

Chair: Anae Arthur Anae

Resolution:

The minutes of the meeting of the Pacific Health Advisory Committee of Counties Manukau District Health Board of 18 March, 2009 were approved.

Moved: Bernadette Pereira

Seconded: Malia Hamani

Carried: Unanimously