

# Disability Support Advisory Committee Minutes

<b>MEETING DETAILS</b>									
Date and Time	11:30 am, Wednesday 16 February 2011								
Venue	Marie Hosking Room, Level 7, Building 14, Greenlane Clinical Centre, Epsom								
<b>2</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES</b>								
	<p>The Chair declared the meeting open 11:35 am and welcomed attendees and there were introductions.</p> <p><b>Committee Members</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>Jo Agnew (Chair)</td> <td>Susan Buckland</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Marie Hull-Brown</td> <td>Dairne Kirton</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Robyn Northey</td> <td>Susan Sherrard</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nanar Tan</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>In Attendance</b></p> <p>Dr Lester Levy</p> <p><b>Management in Attendance</b></p> <p>Garry Smith – Chief Executive  Dr Denis Jury – Chief Planning &amp; Funding Officer  Lisa Gestro – Manager Planning and Funding  Janice Mueller - Director Allied Health  Ian Bell – Board Administrator</p> <p><b>Apologies</b></p> <p>An apology had been received from Carolyn Simmons Carlsson.</p>	Jo Agnew (Chair)	Susan Buckland	Marie Hull-Brown	Dairne Kirton	Robyn Northey	Susan Sherrard	Nanar Tan	
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	<b>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST</b>								
	There were no notifications of any conflicts of interest for any item on the agenda. Robyn Northey advised that she was still a member of the Northern Regional Ethics Committee.								
<b>4</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES 18 NOVEMBER 2010</b>								
	<p><u>Moved Susan Sherrard; seconded Susan Buckland</u></p> <p><i>That the minutes of the Disability Support Advisory Committee meeting held on 18 November 2010 be confirmed as a true and correct record.</i></p> <p><u>Carried</u></p> <p>Be.A Accessible was being expanded to support Millie Baragwaneth with the formation of an NGO and trustees being appointed. There was also Cabinet support with the hope that it becomes a significant brand. There would be updates to future meetings.</p>								

<b>5</b>	<b>ACTION POINTS 18 NOVEMBER 2010</b>
	<p><b>Orientation Programme</b></p> <p>Changes had been made to the orientation programme to cover disabilities and work was being done on scenarios for workshops on the orientation day. There was also consideration of MOODLE training. A disability coordinator had not been appointed.</p> <p><b>Work Bridge/Mainstream</b></p> <p>The mainstream project was making good progress with a meeting with the employment coordinator discussing the types of roles created and what would work well or not. The next step was discussion with services with the aim to recruit some people by 1 July 2011. It would take time to match people to positions. There would be updates.</p>
<b>6</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</b>
	<p>The Chair advised that she had attended a seminar on Making It Easier To Speak Up but felt that it did not add anything new but was a repetition of previous strategies.</p>
<b>7.1</b>	<b>DAP Report</b>
	<p>There were no exceptions. The interim funding pool was to be devolved to DHBs on 1 July 2011 which would have a significant impact particularly when it became part of population based funding in 2-3 years. This imposed a \$4m risk for the region. ADHB knew who the clients were, there being about 100. How to share this risk across the region was being considered. There would be improved care through the much improved Home Based Support Services.</p> <p>Complaints were firstly taken up with the provider and if not resolved an alternative provider is offered and then, if that was not satisfactory, escalated to Lisa Gestro who in the 18 months had met with two families and the issues had been resolved. Complaints were predominantly in the residential sector in a ratio of 5 to 1. It was noted that Home Based Support Services were a local contract where as the residential was a national contract which would be better at the local/regional level to control.</p> <p>A regional service plan was being developed.</p>
<b>8.1</b>	<b>Presentation from Deaf Aotearoa</b>
	<p>Victoria Skorikova, National Deaf Awareness Coordinator, presented to the Committee with a particular emphasis on sign language as being an official language of New Zealand and the training opportunities through Deaf Aotearoa. Those receiving training included police and now 1,000 people had registered for accessing emergency services, including police, by text. It was noted that there was a high level of deafness with Maori through glue ear. While there was no formal programme in ADHB, level 2 and 3 managers would be encouraged to attend the high level awareness seminar in May.</p>
<b>8.2</b>	<b>Disability Access Review</b>
	<p>Mary Schnakenberg was in attendance. The draft report had gone to the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) and the final report would also go to them to identify actions and prioritisation. Mary advised that there was a huge amount of goodwill and commitment to do the best in the organisation. They had spoken to 38 consumers and 24 general staff, to a total of 78 people. Of importance was access to information, the environment of equipment and buildings and attitude and a review of all communications including letters and website had been requested. Most important was attitude of staff and there had been a recommendation to establish a disability coordinator position. Some staff were doing best practice now and the challenge was to share this across the organisation. The Executive Summary and recommendations would be released.</p>

	<p>The Chair thanked Mary for a very holistic and total report with the need now to prioritise the recommendations. The first priority should be staff culture through training. There was a question of extending access through general practice and general health services. For older people mobility impaired it was suggested there be more seating to reduce long walks and that they be spoken to rather than those accompanying them.</p> <p><u>Moved Lester Levy; seconded Robyn Northey</u></p> <p><i>That the Disability Support Advisory Committee recommends the Accessibility Report to the Board for adoption in principle and a request to Management to develop an implementation of plan.</i></p> <p><u>Carried</u></p> <p>The report would be discussed at the SLT with a need to prioritise, budget and have timelines for implementation. The progress would be monitored against the plan. The question of wireless internet access for patients to the internet had been raised.</p>
<b>10</b>	<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b>
	<p><b>District Annual Plan</b></p> <p>The draft was going to the CPHAC and Committee members were invited to provide feedback by 7 March 2011.</p>
	<b>NEXT MEETING</b>
	<p>The meeting closed at 1:20pm</p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for 11:30 am, Wednesday 20 April 2011 Marie Hosking Room Level 7, Building 14, Greenlane Clinical Centre, Epsom</p>
<p><b>CONFIRMED</b></p> <p><b>CHAIR:</b> <span style="margin-left: 300px;"><b>DATE:</b></span></p>	