

## Notes of the 84<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Health Quality & Safety Commission Board on 14 May 2021 via zoom.

Members: Dr Dale Bramley (Chair), Mena Antonio, Prof Peter Crampton, Shenagh Gleisner, Wil Harrison, Rae Lamb, Dr Jenny Parr.

Staff: *In attendance:* Dr Janice Wilson, Gillian Bohm, Richard Hamblin, Kere Pomare, Bevan Sloan, Stephanie Turner, Paula Farrand (EA to the Board), Shelley Hanifan (minutes).

Guests: Morag McDowell, Health & Disability Commissioner, Ria Earp – Chair, Te Rōpū Māori, Rowena Lewis – Chair, Consumer Advisory Group, Darrin Sykes, Te Arawhiti – The Office for Māori Crown Relations (item 9)

Apologies: Dr Tristram Ingham, Dr Collin Tukuitonga, Lizzie Price, Martin Thomas, Chris Walsh.

- The minutes of the previous meeting were **approved**.
- The actions of the previous meeting were **updated** and **noted**.
- The interests register, and special register of interests were **updated**.
- Members board related activities were **noted**.
- The Health and Disability Commissioner update was **noted**.
- The chief executive report was **noted**.
- The financial report and risk register were **discussed**.

### Key decisions – the board:

- a) **Agreed:** to recommended appointment to the consumer advisory group.
- b) **Agreed:** to recommended appointment of the new chair to the Perioperative Mortality Review Committee.
- c) **Agreed:** to write to Sir Mason Durie, requesting a meeting to discuss how the Commission can support the Māori Health Authority, during and after its establishment.

### Consumer advisory group appointment

The board considered the appointment of a new member to the consumer advisory group.

The board:

- **agreed** to recommended appointment to the consumer advisory group.

### Mortality Review Committee appointment

The board considered the appointment of a new chair to the Perioperative Mortality Review Committee.

The board:

- **agreed** to recommended appointment of the new chair to Perioperative Mortality Review Committee.

### Feedback from Audit New Zealand and Ministry of Health on Draft Statement of Performance Expectations (SPE) 2021-22

Feedback on the draft SPE from Audit New Zealand and the Ministry of Health was generally positive. It was noted that staff are working with the New Zealand Institute of Economic Research to update the Commission's approach to measuring value, which will strengthen future work.

The board congratulated staff for their work in developing a stronger performance story and measures.

It was noted that there is no specific deliverable focussed on people with disabilities this year, because staff expect the work toward a Window on health care for people with disabilities to take two years. However, there are a number of points of analysis in the deliverables where we will start to look at the data that we can get for people with disabilities as a population group.

### **Māori partnerships**

The Chair welcomed Darrin Sykes, deputy chief executive of Te Arawhiti – The Office for Māori Crown Relations to the board meeting.

Te Arawhiti works towards true Te Tiriti based relationships between Māori and the Crown. Te Arawhiti works across Māori Crown relationships, Treaty settlements, marine and coastal (seabed and foreshore) areas and settlement commitments.

Darrin talked about the work that Te Arawhiti is doing to try to push system leadership to operate more effectively in treaty partnerships. He talked about organisations being on journeys toward true Te Tiriti relationships. He noted that the Commission's journey started with the PIF Self-Review, and as a result, we were probably ahead of most public sector organisations. The Commission's Statement of Intent commitments and clear positioning places it in the position of an agency for others to benchmark against. The Commission's work in Māori health equity is actively drawn on, by the media and by the Minister of Health.

Discussion centred around the challenges of managing resource limitations, how to prioritise partnerships where the largest difference can be made, and the importance of maintaining relationships in the long term. The process of progressing relationships with Māori may also shift and change with the Māori Health Authority coming in to being. The relationship with the Māori Health Authority and how the Commission supports their success will be important in the upcoming health system reform.

### **Future of the Health and Disability System *(following the health reforms announcement in May)***

The Chair talked to a presentation from the Transition Unit. He overviewed the timeframe, noting that things are moving very quickly. The change is offering an important opportunity that generally people seem to be embracing. The speed of change will mean that uncertainty does not drag on for too long. The board will continue to be updated as more information comes to hand.