

## Notes of the 52nd meeting of the Health Quality & Safety Commission Board held on 13 April 2016 in Wellington

Present: Prof Alan Merry (Chair), Dr Dale Bramley, Shelley Frost, Robert Henderson, Dr Bev O'Keefe, Heather Shotter

In attendance: Dr Janice Wilson (Chief Executive), Richard Hamblin, Liz Price, Shelley Hanifan. Gabrielle Nicholson, Diane Aaltonen, Ethan Tucker

Guests: Anthony Hill (Health & Disability Commissioner), Chai Chuah (Director General of Health - agenda item 9), Dr Alex Psirides (Clinical Lead – Deteriorating Patient – Item 11) and Jo Wailing (Senior Advisor – Deteriorating Patient - item 11)

Apologies: Dame Alison Paterson, Gwen Tepania-Palmer

Key points and decisions are summarised below.

- A patient story was provided in the form of a video
- The minutes of the previous meeting were **approved**.
- The interests register and special register of interests were **updated**.
- Members Board related activities were **noted**
- The chief executive presented a report which included the following topics:
  - Commission engagement with DHBs and ACC.
  - The WAP2 accommodation project.
- There was a discussion with the Director General of Health including the following topics:
  - Internal changes within the MOH.
  - Cross-sector involvement in the Health budget.
  - The challenges of the growing urban Auckland situation.
  - The Health strategy approval by Cabinet and launch for 18 April.
- The finance report was presented and **noted**:
  - The financial results for the nine months ending 31 March 2016.
  - The latest results of the legislative compliance survey continue to show high overall levels of legislative compliance across the organisation.
- The balanced scorecard and exception report were presented and **noted**.
- The Focus to 2018 strategy document was presented. The Board discussed the role the Focus will play in developing the SOI and informing discussions with the Ministry of Health. The Board further discussed the five key themes of the Health Strategy and how this would interact with the Commission's strategic direction.

The Board

- **noted** the draft *Focus to 2018* document and suggested further revisions to develop another draft to be shared with the Ministry of Health and the Associate Minister of Health in due course.
- A summary report was presented outlining the Commission's planned improvement programme investment priorities for the next three years, and how this might affect the Commission's work. The Board provided feedback on the improvement programme investment plans.

The Board:

- **noted** and provided feedback on the improvement programme investment plans
- **agreed** to convene a group of experts to examine the effectiveness of the hand hygiene programme in improving outcome measures

- Richard Hamblin explained the planned 2016 update for the Window on quality report, the first edition of which was published in December 2015. The update is due by the end of April 2016 and has involved Ministry of Health stakeholders in every step of the planning process.

The Board

- **agreed** to publish the Window on Quality 2016 report subject to further redrafting and development as appropriate
- Dr Psridies summarised the development of the proposed deteriorating patient quality improvement programme. The paper's proposals are for a five-year internally managed national quality improvement programme targeting clinical deterioration for all adult inpatients, which has been developed over the past year, informed by an expert advisory group.

The Board

- **approved** a deteriorating patient quality improvement programme comprised of four phased workstreams: standardised rapid response system; patient and family/whanau escalation; goals of treatment; and evaluation
- **approved** funding of up to \$2.5m over five years to deliver the programme
- **agreed** the programme should proceed as planned with additional work to quantify the potential benefits and outcomes set out in the business case, and the associated measurement
- The Board considered a proposed appointment to the Child and Youth Mortality Review Committee, of Auckland academic Prof Shanthi Ameratunga. Two further appointments may be recommended at the May Board meeting, following further discussions with the CYMRC Chair and potential candidates.

The Board

- **noted** that on 25 November 2015 the Board agreed to advertise for three new CYMRC members
- **agreed** to appoint Prof Shanthi Ameratunga to CYMRC for a three-year term from 1 May 2016, subject to background checks
- The Board discussed and approved the Quarter 3 report for submission to the Ministry of health by 30 April.

The Board

- **agreed** that the Quarter 3 report be sent to the Ministry of Health subject to the inclusion of any Board feedback
- The final draft of the Statement of performance Expectations was presented and is due to the Minister of Health by 1 May. Feedback from the MoH and the Office of the Auditor General has been incorporated and substantive changes since the first draft have been highlighted. The Board provided feedback. It was **agreed**:
  - That the draft be sent to the Ministry of health by 1 May once Board feedback has been included.
- The correspondence file and collaborative report on quality improvement outcomes in DHBs was **noted**