



Clinical Council

Summary of December 19, 2016 Meeting

Membership Changes

Dr Rachael Byars was welcomed in her appointment to the Council as the representative of the Senior Medical Staff (SMS, Southland). Dr Martin Watts has stepped down from this role.

Ms Jo Krysa was welcomed in her appointment to the Council as the representative of the Clinical Leaders (Otago). Dr David Barker has stepped down from this role.

Developing a prioritisation framework for Southern DHB

The *Discussion Paper for the Clinical Council Meeting of 19 December 2016: Prioritising Health Investment in Southern DHB; developing local principles approach* was discussed.

It was noted that the Council had previously discussed the need for a systematic approach to investing (and disinvesting) in health services across the Southern District. This is to help ensure that decisions are made in a consistent and transparent way that supports the aims and strategies of the DHB and addresses the needs of the population that we serve. Mr Hunter noted that the process should be linked to the Four Fold Aim rather than developing another document.

It was noted that Associate Professor Paul Hansen's (Department of Economics, University of Otago) 1000Minds – *When Good Decisions Matter* is currently being looked at by the Medical Directors and the Capital Expenditure Group.

It was proposed that Mr Hunter would work on translating the Four Fold Aims into the discussion paper and that the Clinical Council have a demonstration of 1000Minds at a future meeting.

Retention of Clinical Records – Proposal to bring the retention of physical clinical records in to line with national guidance.

The proposal that Southern DHB reduce the period for which physical clinical records are retained within the Southern District Health Board to ten years, in line with the legislative framework was considered. It was decided that the Council requires more information and that Jane Smith, District Manager, Clinical Records and Coding and Chair of the Health Records Action Group, be invited to the next meeting to answer questions.

Update on the Community Health Council

The Chair noted that a call for expressions of interest had been widely published and that there were 87 applications for membership. There will now be a group selection process with the first meeting being 9 February 2017 (whole day). It was suggested that it would be useful for the Clinical Council and the Community Health Council to meet at some stage.

Dr Keith Reid, Chair