

GPNZ MONTHLY ACTIVITY SUMMARY – OCTOBER 2023

KEY MEETINGS AND OUTCOMES

- GP Leaders Forum
- Te Whatu Ora/Contracted Provider representatives future of PSAAP
- Andrew Slater
- Dr Sarah Clarke
- Andy Inder
- Hauora Taiwhenua/ Te Whatu Ora – rural sustainability
- ACC Rehabilitation Improvement Group
- Boston Consulting - ACC commissioning provider research
- Allan & Clarke – Te Whatu Ora immunisation week stakeholder research
- Member catch ups – Kirsten Stone; Adri Isbister; Fiona Thomson; Auckland Primary Care Leadership Group
- Pōhiri Irihāpeti Mahuika, CEO Health Hawkes Bay

Key outcomes

- Development of ‘toolkit’ on support for practice sustainability in rural communities; consideration of ‘summer pressures’ support including communications to public.
- Member feedback requested on contracted provider representation at PSAAP.

ADVOCACY

Briefing for incoming ministers (BIM) and vision documents

- We expect to submit our BIM to the new Ministerial team in mid-November.
- The key themes build on our previous documents, including the ‘20-point plan’ produced in June and identify solutions and opportunities to address the current workforce and funding challenges, building on the innovation and strengths that exist in primary care.

Vision documents / white papers

- The BIM will be followed by a short series of ‘white papers’ setting out more detailed vision for several topics.
- These papers will be developed and delivered during the first 100-days of the new government.
- The first document will focus on the potential to enhance primary care data and digital capacity and capability, followed by papers on nursing workforce development in primary care and Māori workforce development.

Comprehensive primary and community care team (CPCT) implementation

- Following a letter from GPNZ, Te Whatu Ora have scheduled a meeting in early November to discuss concerns on the implementation of CPCT – namely inconsistency, pace, employment, role distribution, training, enablement, funding and future development.

Nurse pay parity update

- The wider group of organisations will reconvene and discuss next steps pending formation of the new government.

Te Whatu Ora board member visits

- GPNZ has coordinated a further round of visits to PHOs and practices for Te Whatu Ora Chair Dame Karen Poutasi, alongside other Board members and senior Te Whatu Ora officials.

- Chief Medical Officer at Manatū Hauora, Dr Joe Bourne is expected to attend some and it is hoped that Director of Commissioning at Te Whatu Ora will attend at least one of the visits.
- Director General of Health Dr Di Sarfati is unavailable for this round but has indicated she will visit some PHOs in the new year.

Reconvening PSAAP

- The GP leaders forum continues to discuss the future of PSAAP, acknowledging the importance of a forum where contracting discussions can take place with transparency.
- GPNZ has consistently confirmed support for increased and broader representation from providers, seeking to ensure that any changes to the protocol are fair and workable.

PROJECTS

Sapere report

- A 'where to next' workshop on practice sustainability is being held by GPNZ and Sapere on 2 November, with the Exec and a small number of sector representatives in attendance.
- Workshop outputs will inform the BIM and will be more widely shared at the GPNZ member forum in early December. This work will also inform ongoing discussions with Manatū Hauora, Te Whatu Ora and Te Aka Whai Ora.

Unmet need research

- The first of the qualitative practice data collection has been completed with further practice visits scheduled for early December.
- Te Whatu Ora data requests to support the project are progressing well.
- The research aims to be completed early next year.

National Cervical Screening Unit – Primary Care Working Group

- GPNZ continues to facilitate weekly meetings of the NCSU primary care working group.
- The working group have been trouble shooting issues that have arisen from the HPV roll out and are actively working with the NCSU to plan and develop phase two which includes the opportunity to collaboratively design a future-oriented primary care screening model for National Cervical Screening Unit (NCSU) evolution.

Inbox management

- A 3-part webinar series on inbox management is mid-way through delivery.
- Part one looked at workforce solutions, [the video from the session is now available](#).
- Part two will look at technology advancements | whanake hangarau me ngā ara matihiko and will be held 8 November, 12:30pm. [Registration is still available](#).
- Part three will look at medico-legal perspectives | whakarite i te rangahau oranga kia haumaruru and will be held 22 November, 12.30pm. [Registration is still available](#).

Emergency planning in primary care

- A group came together on 20 October to share learnings on emergency preparedness and to workshop the elements to include in a national primary care plan.
- Outputs are expected to be a primary care emergency preparedness plan alongside a comprehensive toolkit.

COMMUNICATION

- Monthly Pānui released on 5 October: <https://mailchi.mp/gpnz/gpnz-panui-5-oct-2023>

- Next Pānui will be out Friday 3 November – *it will be sent a day later than usual to allow for a summary of the Sapere workshop held 2 November to be included.*