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The following represents a summary of the 9 February 2024 Board meeting. Minutes are available upon request to [ea@mahitahihauora.co.nz](mailto:ea@mahitahihauora.co.nz)

## Fit for Future

The CEO summarised the latest thinking on the future direction of Mahitahi Hauora Discussion points included:

1. The Government has not committed to any additional funding for general practice until after June 2024. There is an opportunity to target funding from outside the health sector.
2. GPNZ are positioning themselves to support the deliverables of primary care.
3. Health Minister Hon Dr Shane Reti has indicated localities may have a name change but will still be present.
4. Strategy & Transformation Manager noted gaps in Northland are becoming more widely visible and there is an opportunity to further articulate the needs of Te Tai Tokerau.

The Board noted receipt of the following documentation and discussion was held:

1. One-page Mahitahi Hauora strategy document
2. Future of PHOs meeting
3. Media Release "Securing sustainable General Practice in Aotearoa: Solutions to reverse the crisis."

## Annual Board Plan

The CEO summarised the Annual Board Plan for the next 12 months.

## CEO Report

The CEO provided the Board with an overview of strategy delivery, risk management, relationship management and financial stewardship. The CEO update was accepted.

## Operations Report

The CEO summarised the Operations Report. Discussion points included:

arohāki: Heo/te tama tu tama ora, tama noho tama mate  
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Ki te kahore he whakakitenga ka ngaro te iwi Wellbeing. He waka  
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1. Mental Health: Recruitment of Health Improvement Practitioners in the previous months, referrals and sessions held, current vacancies, enhancing referral pathway, work to begin on Virtual HIP Platform, shortage of detox beds at Dargaville hospital.
2. Partnership Services: Recruitment of Practice Facilitators.
3. Network Enablement Services/Clinical Hub.

The Board accepted the Operations Report.

## Financial Report

Finance Manager provided the Board with a financial update for the year to date and an update on financial, commercial, and risk matters. The financial update was accepted.

## Risk Report

Strategy & Transformation Manager summarised the Risk Report and provided an update on progress using the risk tools implemented for the effective and efficient management of Mahitahi Hauora risk framework and using these tools to produce standardised reporting.

The Board received the Corporate and Clinical Risk Management Heat Map Overview – October 2023 document and there have been no changes to the Risk Register for January 2024.

## Health & Safety Report

The CEO summarised the Health and Safety Report. The Board received the report and had a discussion on health and safety risks.

## Clinical Directors Report

Clinical Director summarised the Long-Term Conditions Board Report and the CEO summarised the Primary Care Board Report. Key discussion points included:

1. Review of Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora Starting Well and Ageing Well strategies.
2. Gout Stop Programme referrals process working well.
3. Update on Pre-Diabetes Pilot.
4. Looking at upstream stroke prevention initiatives.

The Board accepts and notes the Clinical Directors reports.

## Director of Nursing Report

The CEO summarised the Director of Nursing Report and the Board accepts and notes the report.

## Data & Digital Update

The CEO summarised the Data & Digital quarterly update and the Board accepts and notes the update.

## Other Business

The Board appoints Geoff Milner as Board Chair of Mahitahi Hauora for a three-year term.

Job description to be written for a Clinical Trustee role which will be advertised.