



Board Summary: 11 April 2025

The following represents a summary of the 11 April 2025 Board meeting. Minutes are available upon request to ea@mahitahihauora.co.nz

Enhanced Capitation \$285M Over 3 Years Update

The CEO summarised the recent developments regarding enhanced capitation.

- CEO ensuring the voice of Te Tai Tokerau is well represented at PHO CEO meetings, and there is consensus that whatever model is agreed upon needs to take into consideration the challenges in Tai Tokerau.
- Proposal to be clarified and final framework still to be agreed. This is an opportunity for the Board to provide input.
- Important to consider how this will impact small rural general practices compared to larger general practices.
- \$60M is available under major enhanced capitation. Government is asking in exchange for the funds certain actions around increased access to be completed e.g. patients to be seen within 5 working days, and General Practices to be open two additional hours per week.
- Board members feedback on the GP workforce and concerns over financial viability for a small rural general practice has been noted. Broadway Health GP will be providing feedback to Minister Simeon Brown this afternoon at a ministerial meeting.

Health NZ Audit update

The CEO summarised the Health NZ | Te Whatu Ora auditors visit from 25 – 27 March 2025.

Key discussion points included:

- Provisional verbal feedback was generally positive with some known areas to work on.
- Written report expected within six weeks which will be shared with the Board.

PHO Benchmark Comparisons

The CEO provided an overview of the recently published paper from retired accountant Murray Lilley, which was sent to Minister Simeon Brown. Key discussion points included:

- Limited partnership structures used by some PHOs hinder transparency, financial reporting lacks consistency making performance assessment difficult, increased share of Government funding, increased staffing costs.
- PHOs criticised in the paper have reacted swiftly.
- PHOs need to ensure they maintain their core business and as such Mahitahi Hauora has a moral responsibility to support its General Practices in Te Tai Tokerau.



Working together to achieve the Childhood Immunisation Health Target

The CEO advised that both Dr Nick Chamberlain, National Director National Public Health Service and Martin Hefford, Director Living Well Planning, Funding & Outcomes (or their delegates) have requested to meet with Mahitahi Hauora. Mahitahi Hauora look forward to this opportunity to advocate for adequate funding to support the planned coordination work.

Board Annual Work Plan

The Chair summarised the Board annual work plan for the next 12 months. The annual strategic day will be held 13 June 2025 to allow background from the May Budget and post-budget announcements to inform the day.

Chief Executive Report

The CEO summarised the CEO Report and provided the Board with an overview of strategy delivery, risk management, relationship management, financial stewardship, and updates.

Operations Report

The Partnership Services Manager summarised the Operations Report. Key discussion points included:

- Partnership Services
- Enablement Services
- Immunisations
- Mental Health

Finance Report

The Finance Manager provided the Board with an update on financial, commercial and risk matters.

Other Business

- The minutes of the Community Voice Advisory Committee meeting dated 26 February 2025 were accepted.
- The CEO confirmed his intention to invite newly appointed Director-General of Health and Chief Executive of the Ministry of Health, Audrey Sonerson, to visit Mahitahi Hauora.