



West Coast DHB Disability Steering Group

MINUTES –26 April 2022

By Zoom, 1pm – 2 pm

Present: Jacqui Lunday Johnstone, Jane George, Margaret Woollett, Maria Mann, Mike Nolan, Miles Roper, Rosie McGrath, Sarah Birchfield, Lara Williams (minutes)

Apologies: Jo Newton, Kathy O'Neill, Mai-lin Van Mulligen, Kylie Parkin, Karen Robb, Rosalie Waghorn, Trudi McGrath, Caro Findlay, Imogen Squires

Guest: Robert Miedema, CCS and Lifelinks

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action point
1.	Welcome Karakia Apologies received Any conflicts of Interest	Apologies as above	None
2.	<p>Action points from previous meetings (March)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of Bed Board • Supervised RATS Test in accessible format • Presentation on Patient Portals in General Practice • New membership – update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jane George to follow up on bed boards in West Coast Hospitals. Outstanding: Jane to update May • Kathy O'Neill to circulate access to supervised Rats teams in the community. Actioned: Allison Nicholls Dunsmuir, contacted. Leading COVID response for disabled people locally. They have had received similar concerns in Canterbury. While generic advice is available, simplified RATS specific instructions was problematic as kits had differences that have made producing 1 accessible instruction sheet impossible. Allison to send MOH DSS contact to Kathy, been on leave over the last few weeks. • Miles to forward update on patient portal Actioned: Emailed to group 26/4 https://www.wcdhb.health.nz/your-health/myindici/ 	Action point – Bed boards update on May agenda



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3.	Robert Miedema, CCS and Lifelinks	<p>CCS and Lifelinks operate help and empower with supported living. Help parents to navigate what they need for their child. Advocate in schools and accessing grants. Transition contracts when children leave school. Mobility permits. Nine community support workers. Local governance group meets 4x a year in Greymouth.</p> <p>Riding for disabled – CCS can help with advice on funding for lessons.</p> <p>CCS Holiday Homes for respite care. Contact Robert for details.</p> <p>Lifelinks – MOH contract. Can self-refer with disability confirmed by specialist.</p> <p>Fencing - help requested with advocating with DOE– discussion to contact offline.</p>	<p>Action point – fencing, Jacqui and Sarah to continue discussion offline on solutions</p>
4.	<p>Fine tune our action plan, including adding some actions from the 2018-2021 strategic plan;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ease and safety of travel across and around the West Coast - Access to information, services and venues on the West Coast - Community participation in decision making on access issues 	<p>Continue discussions via email until May meeting.</p> <p>Membership update. Youth representatives. Jane George suggested contacting Rangatahi. Send names to Mike. Kylie will liaise with Runanga, Mike will contact Kylie and Susan Wallace.</p>	<p>Action point – Action plan on May agenda</p> <p>Action point – Youth representation, send suggestions to Mike</p>



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5.	Update on paper presented to the Board on services for children on the West Coast.	Paper presented (emailed to group) paper what we have achieved, ensuring a better future. Working across agencies we can see what is possible. Collaborative approach. Sustainable services, recruitment and retaining talent is a challenge. Keep as a standing item on future agendas.	
6.	Any concluding comments/reflections	Rosie asked group to take feedback survey on Income Topup Insurance. www.mbie.govt/incomeinsurance Feedback on Rats testing for sight impaired. WCPHO immensely helpful with helping over the phone. Reminder to check TEAMs access.	
7.	Closing Karakia	Rosie gave closing karakia.	
8.	Next meeting: 24 May 2022	By Zoom until Omicron allows for in person meetings.	

Meeting recorded for minuting purposes, on TEAMs