

Midland Regional Director 3rd Quarter Report (Jan-Mar 2011)

Overview

Although the Midland Director was on annual leave throughout the month of January, February and March was a busy time with sector wide consultation being undertaken for a number of key Midland strategic documents. The Midland Needs Assessment project and Needs Assessment Service Coordination project commenced in November 2010 draft reports were consulted throughout February and March at all of the Midland regional forums with the closing date for feedback being the 30th of March 2011.

The Midland Co-existing Problems Strategic Plan was signed off by the Ministry of Health in February. As part of the agreed regional activity the Midland Director undertook a series of workshops to develop the CEP Levels of Competency Framework utilising the draft framework developed by Dr Tom Flewett from Capital and Coast DHB. A series of Case Formulation workshops were coordinated by the Midland Workforce Coordinator in partnership with Matua Raki.

The Midland Regional Forums were held over the months of February and March which were supported by the Midland Director and the Midland Senior Administrator.

Service Development

- A meeting was held with the Midland Methamphetamine providers in Hamilton to review progress. All providers reported that the beds were between 60% - 80% occupied. Due to the low numbers of pure methamphetamine cases it was agreed with the Ministry of Health that the beds could be used for clients with a mixed suite of addictions but the suite must include methamphetamine. Referral pathways and entry criteria for the beds are on the individual providers websites. It is important to note that although the beds are based in the Midland region, the Ministry of Health has made all of the beds available nationally.
- The final supra-regional Eating Disorders Governance meeting was held at the NDSA office in Auckland. The group has been disbanded following achievement of the key objectives that the group was set up for. The Service Level Agreement with Auckland DHB and Thrive has been circulated to the Midland region key stakeholders.
- A meeting was held with the Auckland Child Family Unit and ADHB Portfolio Manager to discuss CFU utilisation and opportunities for additional beds. The meeting involved CAMHS Clinical Directors and Managers (except BOP) and regional Portfolio Managers. Key documents from ADHB have been circulated to the key stakeholders.
- A Te Kokiri Steering Group video conference meeting in February tabled the draft consolidated Te Kokiri Implementation Progress report. The Midland Director amended the draft report to ensure that Tairāwhiti information was included.
- All Midland projects aligned to the Lakes Prioritisation and Planning Panel.

Workforce

- The Midland Regional team and Lakes Portfolio Manager undertook a comprehensive review of the Midland Mental Health and Addiction Needs Assessment in February as part of the feedback consultation process.
- Monthly team meetings with Mary Smith, GM Planning and Funding continued throughout the quarter.

- Monthly team one to one meetings continued through out the quarter.

Relationships and Partnerships

- The Midland Regional Team attended the Midland Pacific Providers fono hosted in the BOP by the Pacific Community Trust and BOP DHB. The Lakes region will be hosting the May fono.
- The Midland regional forums were held throughout February and March. Agenda's and minutes have been loaded onto the Midland website www.midlandmentalhealthnetwork.co.nz
- Teleconference with the regional MHSOP Clinical Director (except BOP) to discuss their feedback on the Midland Region Mental Health and Addictions Needs Assessment undertaken in February.
- Work commenced on the development of the Midland Thrive and Starship Client Pathways involving the Midland Eating Disorders Steering Group, Thrive and REDS.

4th Quarter (April – June) Activities

- Clinical Leadership Forum meeting with Cathy Cooney and Mary Smith
- Facilitation of Tairawhiti provider arm two day strategic planning days
- Te Kokiri Steering Group video conference
- National Eating Disorders forum Wellington
- Finalising the Midland Needs Assessment and Needs Assessment Service Coordination reports
- Finalising the Midland Workforce Develop Plan
- Finalising the Starship and Thrive Client Pathways
- Commencing the Midland Clinical Governance project
- Taranaki RFP Evaluation Panel process
- Recruitment of PRIMHD Coordinator position
- Midland NASC Team workshop
- Youth Forensic & Intellectual Disability video conference
- Midland Pacific Advisory fono
- Final PRIMHD Governance Group meeting
- Culture and Care Culture fono
- Midland regional forums
- National Portfolio Managers videoconference
- Vivienne Martin and Belinda Walker's farewell