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Final Quarter of a Test Match

Sporting analogies are perhaps overused so this headline really is about acknowledging our excellent progress as a provider network in achieving progress towards the National Health Targets. As of today we have achieved 84% for CVD Risk Assessments, 87% for Diabetic Annual Reviews, 88% for Smoking Status Recorded, 77% for Smoking Brief Advice, 70% for 8 month immunisations and 80% for 2 year immunisations. We have these last few weeks to complete our stated goal of “top ten performance” in each of the programmes. Keep up the good work - every vaccination, every diabetes check, and every CVDRA is designed to deliver health outcomes to the populations we serve.

In the next couple of weeks each provider will be receiving the new Flexible Funding Pool programme. Provider views and experience have been collected through the evaluation process, and the key learnings have informed the Alliance Leadership Team to improve this cornerstone programme that supports the clinical contribution to Whanau Ora outcomes.

Don't forget to make use of the NHC Health Target dashboard– it is real time tracking of our provider network performance.

Finally I am sure that you are all pleasantly surprised with the Budget announcement of additional funding to extend the free care for under-sixes programme to all children up to age 12. We look forward to the detail of that policy from the Ministry.



Update from
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Chief Executive

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The ABC Alcohol Approach

Harmful drinking is a major avoidable risk factor and the ABC Alcohol approach has been adopted to identify and provide brief advice to patients who engage in harmful drinking. The ABC approach provides a systematic approach to recording alcohol status and brief advice by integrating the ABC approach into the everyday practice of all primary health care workers, as it was originally developed for smoking cessation.

The ABC Alcohol Approach steps are:

A: Ask

B: Brief advice

C: Counselling

Alcohol ABC is a new NHC Mohio form that will be launched to provide the IT tool to support the ABC alcohol approach in NHC primary care clinics.

Training and support is available to ensure competency to provide screening, brief advice and referrals for patients with hazardous or harmful alcohol behaviours.

Online training to implement the ABC Alcohol Approach can be accessed at: <http://learnonline.health.nz>

Completion of the clinical effectiveness module “Implementing the ABC Alcohol Approach in Primary Care” developed by the RNZCGP and the Health Promotion Agency is an essential toolkit and can be found at: <https://www.rnzcgp.org.nz/assets/documents/News--Events/CGP4044-Clinical-Effectiveness->

Waikato Provider Dinner

A Dinner was held on Friday 2 May for all Waikato Providers at the Kingsgate Hotel, Hamilton. Fifty-four staff attended with representation from all but one clinic.

NHC hope you enjoyed the opportunity to come together as a collective and celebrate the efforts so far by both the provider practices and NHC staff all toiling away solidly towards reaching the target.

Collectively we have made a substantial improvement in Waikato, in some cases a massive percentage increase compared to this time last year. One target increased by over 50%!!

Thank you for your diligence and hard work and with all our combined efforts we will reach the goal.



Counties Manukau Maori Nurse of the Year

Gina Pikaahu who works at Otara Union Health Centre won the Counties Manukau Maori Nurse of the Year Award at the Counties Manukau Nursing and Midwifery Awards Night on the 12th May. A big congratulations to Gina for winning this much deserved award!



Tangiaro Taua (Nan), Gina Pikaahu and David Pikaahu.



Enrolment Reminders

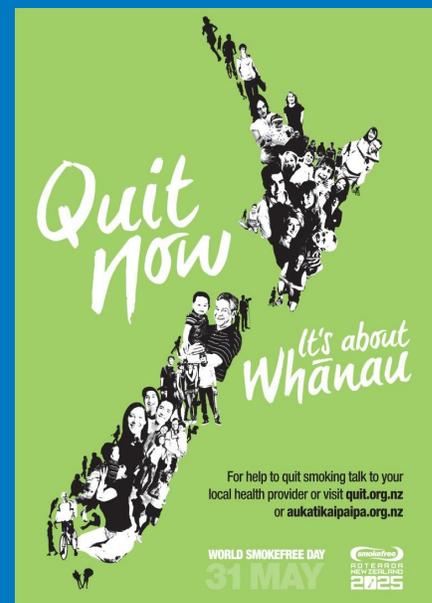
Just a quick reminder and clarification around two enrolment and eligibility requirements:

- ◆ The definition of *Residing Permanently in New Zealand* is: “if she/he confirms that she/he intends to be resident in New Zealand for at least 183 days in the next 12 months”. The Ministry of Health would like to clarify that the 183 days residing in New Zealand *does not* have to be consecutive.
- ◆ Newborn Enrolments. A newborn baby may be submitted for funding before the full enrolment process is completed. Enter into MedTech using the Enrolment Status code in the F3 Patient Register ‘B’ Newborn Preliminary Enrolment. A signed enrolment form must be completed, and the patients status changed to ‘E’ confirmed enrolment before the second quarter of funding.

World Smokefree Day 2014

During the month of May 2014 we encourage you to participate in World Smokefree Day (WSFD) by raising the awareness of a Smokefree Aotearoa 2025 offering our patients support to quit smoking. We have a limited amount of WSFD resources available for distribution, please call or email us if you are interested and have not received anything.

Primary care practitioners are one of the main points of contact in influencing people to make quit attempts. Research shows that people are more likely to quit with a multipronged approach such as pharmacotherapy backed by phone and face to face support, and success is greater for people who participate in groups. If you do not have the time and resources to do the cessation support we encourage you to use Quitline and your local Smoking Cessation Service providers.



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