

Summary Notes – Thursday 25th November 2021

Key notes from the meeting:

- We noted the appointment of 4 SMOs to the Medicines Management Committee offering a wide range of expertise across Critical Care, Paediatrics, Rural Health and Pharmac processes. We are really grateful to Mark Wooley, Parag Tambe, John Mottershead and Stuart Mologne for supporting this important process.
- We had an excellent update on the Recognition and Response Committee from James Haddow (Surgical SMO and QI lead). This focused on the aims of the group namely recognition and response systems, Korero Mai (patient and family escalation pathway) and Shared Goals of Care. The Committee is truly interdisciplinary with strong consumer representation. The Council saw this work as crucial to improving the recognition of patients and whānau concerns as well as the obvious benefits for wider patient safety.
- We were excited to hear that the Frailty Council (an example of streamlining multiple committees serving a common goal) has met and we are committed to the frailty work and keen to see how understanding this patient group better through analysis of metrics can lead to improved patient outcomes.
- We had a presentation from the rural team on the potential application of Health Round Table (HRT) data (benchmarked datasets of critical indicators of quality and performance) in the rural setting. The HRT licence has now been extended to encompass Lakes Hospital and we look forward to how this additional resource will shape practice going forward.
- We discussed the Council's focus going forward and the importance of maintaining a whole of system focus. We felt that we should table Health Round Table data at each meeting to help us understand where we sit as an organisation, what our priorities should be and to help inform the ELT and board.
- We also acknowledged our role in risk management and plan to discuss the top 15 clinical risks at each meeting as well as having a quarterly risk management workshop to review the whole register.
- The Council received an update from Karen Browne, Chair of the Community Health Council continuing our strong links between the two groups which is strengthening consumer input into our processes.
- Our next meeting will be the Risk Management Workshop on the 23rd of December.

Happy holidays!