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WEST COAST Minutes Friday 5 May 2006

Apologies: Malcolm White, Judy Ashley, Pete Ashcroft, Hecta Williams.

Welcome: Cate Kearney, ADANZ

Service Updates

Wendy Haika Te Awhina Trust. Truancy work and whanau ora relief nurse on the Waka – Maori Health Bus.

Jill Wilson Strengthening Family Co-ordinator for the whole of the West Coast. Excited by work, collaborative, more support from the national office.

Hemi Lewis He Waka Tapu. Introduced himself. Here to present Kaupapa Maori Residential Service.

Jan Accompanying Hemi.

Gill Gamble One of two child and adolescent AOD counsellors at CAMHS. There for a year. New 0.5 FTE worker .

Pauline Schroder AOD service; Hokitika to Haast, 2 counsellors Greymouth; 2 Westport, Regional Co-ordinator in Greymouth. Service development day planned for Monday.

Larry Brindstone Family focus worker. Service co-ordinator for Budget Service. Works 30 hours a week.

Chris Pickering CYFS. Covering the coast as Team Leader CYFS for the West Coast from Nelson; will take over Service Development role for Coast and Nelson. Collaborative venture.

Bob McAlliffe Community Liaison Social Worker. New role for the Coast. Expects to be more present in the community: aims to work more regularly and consistently with the agencies here, hopes to make a difference.

Margaret Williams Full compliment of staff. New position for Methadone Co-ordinator: finding that capacity has been reached for numbers on the programme, seeking funding for more people. Peter Ashton's role will change: will be present at court. LTSA assessments completed regularly.

Jem Pupich Community Public Health. Liquor Licensing and feedback re Wild Foods Festival; good results – some decrease in use, still high levels of intoxication, wanting Festival to monitor and kick people out if required. Youth drinking survey – high levels of drinking. Data being compiled – will present to LOAD when completed. 3 new staff at CPH: Smokefree and health promotion youth.

Discussions

How real and extensive is “P” on the Coast / NZ.

Coast: - main drugs seem to be alcohol, cannabis, opiates (MST glut at present on the Coast). Discussion about:

BZP

- Very popular with young people seen in CAMHS.
- Affecting some families on the Coast.
- BZP and alcohol leading to depression.
- Sold on licensed premises on the Coast.

Alcohol

- Young people still being supplied by parents and also peers supplying.
- Yata group continues to meet.
- Youth reflecting adult / parents drinking patterns, it is difficult to get parents to see that change is required.
- West Coast still has the highest alcohol use in NZ.
- Wild foods consumption

Presentation

He Waka Tapu – Hemi Lewis -Mauri Ora Programme “The Spark of Life”

Health and Social Services Agency – range of services described:

Kaumatua

Kaupapa Maori Service evolved after the closure of Taha Maori Programme, Hanmer

Team employed in October. Developed philosophy and programme embedded within a cultural framework.

Inclusive and collaborative approach with other services.

Programme Components Described:

Phase 1

- Week 1. Building Motivation
2. Life journeys
 3. AOD patterns
 4. Change Plans
 5. Relationships Whanau/support system
 6. Skill development
 7. Relapse prevention
 8. Maintaining change

Phase 2

- 9 – 12 Four week transitional phase.
- Cultural component described.
 - Supported accommodation available from the end of May.

Questions and Answers

1. What kind of psychiatric care is available? Links with CADS also looking for management plan from referrer.
2. Follow up (9-12 weeks) on Coast? Flexible: exploring technology and thinking over and visiting districts. Will be reviewed ongoingly.

Phase 3

Evaluation and audit at the end of the first programme. Suggested changes will be incorporated into the programme.

Meeting Closed *12.30pm*

Attendance: 11

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Please note: These minutes are a summary of opinions expressed by meeting attendees. If anyone would like further information please contact Cate Kearney at cate.kearney@adanz.org.nz

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