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Meeting Record Friday 8th August 2008

Welcome: Char Macpherson, ADANZ

Apologies: Bob McAuliffe, Hecta Williams, Paul Eathorne, Margaret Adams, Elinor Stratford, Christine Robertson, Rex Williams, Warren Gilbertson, Richard Wallace

Attendance: See end of record

Service Updates

Rata AOD Service, WCDHB: 67 clients on methadone program; 2 on waiting list. Dr Peter Griffiths is the new medical officer for Greymouth and Westland clients.. A meeting has been arranged in early September with medical officers, relevant staff, pharmacists, consumer advisor, and funding and planning around dispensing maintenance drugs, pharmacist and capacity, contingency plans in the event of disasters. Issues facing service delivery for methadone clients include travel particularly with Air West Coast stopping flights to Westport, alternative forms of transport are being considered. Rata now have an agreement with CYF re referrals. CYF will provide a response form with their referral indicating the level of assessment and report required. All people referred to or self referred to Rata AOD are screened to meet MOH funding criteria. There are some NGOs in the community that do have qualified AOD workers e.g. Rata Te Awhina that people can be referred to for their treatment needs. Heather Muir, smoking cessation manager, has organised training in smoking cessation. Training for health professionals on the impact of tobacco smoking and nicotine on mental health disorders is also available. Contact Judith Maloney at the hospital ext 2646.

Home Builders: In transition i.e. changing service structure. *Strengthening Families:* 34 families on the books which passes the required number, includes mothers on the methadone programme, it is important when women with children come in and can be assisted. *Rosemary Matthews (private counsellor):* sexual abuse counsellor, works out of Hokitika and Greymouth. Has had AOD training, important as 90% of clients are affected by the AOD use.

Presentation:

➤ **Community Probation & Psychological Services**

Corrections Greymouth - *Kelly Hill*

Gave a general description of the service and some of the AOD and MH service users can have their needs met. An advantage for clients on Home Detention who have AOD or MH diagnoses can attend treatment programmes in the community.

Meeting closed 12.00pm.
Next meeting 31st October 2008.

Attendees: 10

Meeting dates available on www.adanz.org.nz. Please note: These notes are a summary of opinions expressed by meeting attendees. If anyone would like further information please email reception@adanz.org.nz

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