

# Liaison on Alcohol and Other Drugs LOAD

## Dunedin

Meeting Record Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2009

**Apologies:** Jane Whitmore  
**Welcome:** Char Macpherson, ADANZ  
**Attendance:** See at the end of record

### Presentations

**To see the Power Points used at this meeting go to:**

<http://www.adanz.org.nz/ADANZ/Subnav/Coordination/LOAD> choose your region and scroll down past the meeting dates.

- **Ministry of Health: Rawiri Evans**, Harm Minimisation Māori Population Health  
Te Puawaiwhero: The Second Māori Mental Health and Addiction National Strategic Framework  
Opioid Substitution: Practice Guidelines for Treatment in New Zealand 2008.

### Questions and Answers

Work Force Development

Will the MoH take a stronger stand on where funding for WFD goes? At present does not come to the South Island. Te Pou and Te Matua Raki provide little or no funding to the South Island.

A: it will take time but will working on it now that staff numbers have increased.

Comment: More focus for South Island training and meetings, they are always in the north.

Q: Where does ALAC fit? A: They are not treatment. MoH become more aware of the training needs

Q: Where is the MoH on the Alcohol Act? A: It is a complicated Act and the process of the review can not be rushed.

- **ODHB Funding and Planning, Dan Mustapic**  
Myths and Truths

### National Addiction Sector Updates & Diary Events

- Alcohol Drug Helpline Call Back Pilot, for more information email [mel.johns@adanz.org.nz](mailto:mel.johns@adanz.org.nz), [www.alcoholdrughelp.org.nz](http://www.alcoholdrughelp.org.nz)
- Matua Raki now hosted by Te Rau Matatini [www.matuaraki.org.nz](http://www.matuaraki.org.nz)
- Talking Therapies: two new documents - the Report and the Action Plan now available [www.tepou.co.nz](http://www.tepou.co.nz)
- Getting it Right for People with Co-existing Addiction and Mental Health Problems [http://www.mhc.govt.nz/media\\_releases/topics/show/135-18-december-2008-getting-it-right-for-people-with-co-existing-addiction-and-mental-health-problems](http://www.mhc.govt.nz/media_releases/topics/show/135-18-december-2008-getting-it-right-for-people-with-co-existing-addiction-and-mental-health-problems)
- Addiction Treatment Leadership Day 12 March in Christchurch Hotel Grand Chancellor, Cashel St. Theme: Leadership, Advocacy and Innovation. *This is the last Leadership Day being organized by NCAT and the responsibility will then move directly to Matua Raki as the Addiction Workforce Development Programme.* For notes and further information: <http://www.matuaraki.org.nz/> click the *NCAT Sector Voice*

### Local Service News

*Moana House:* WFD Training Institute, Diploma of Addictions, recipients of scholarships Te Rau Matatini have graduated. New contract, intake coordination, pressure for beds 14 people and 11 beds. Some people waiting up to 2 years.

*Problem Gambling Foundation:* Dunedin City Council Pokie machines policy planning issues.

*Mirror Counselling:* Will be attending International Drug Symposium. good to have some input into the Alcohol Drug Act, request input from those at meeting. Aiming to go to the (IIMHL) International Initiative on Mental Health Exchange and Conference.

*Bridge:* Outreach work in rural areas Oamaru and Alexandra and Prison (not funded for this but do it). Family whānau group, difficult have been overbooking. Self banning policy at gambling venues working well.

*CADS:* need to move premises, see it as a positive thing, it will be to somewhere central. Challenge of waiting list: 140 last year got it down to 40 but up to 100 again. DAPAANZ points – discussion re the financial issues, a key point that will be on the agenda at the National meeting.

*Meeting closed at 12.00pm; Attendees: 21*

Meeting dates available on [www.adanz.org.nz](http://www.adanz.org.nz). Suggestions for agenda to Char Macpherson [char.macpherson@adanz.org.nz](mailto:char.macpherson@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](mailto:reception@adanz.org.nz)