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DHBRF Workshop: Innovation for Health – Sharing Knowledge and Building Relationships

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1. What Does 'Innovation for Health' Mean?

It is aimed that the DHBRF Workshop will address a number of health sector issues that would be enhanced by innovative new ways of thinking, collaborative working and an evidence base for key decision making. These ideas are summarised in the workshop themes:



- **Partnership in action** - developing and maintaining partnerships for health outcomes
- **Knowledge creation** - generating the appropriate knowledge for health outcomes
- **Knowledge brokering** - creating and sustaining opportunities for knowledge transfer
- **Sector Environment** - promoting an innovation culture for health outcomes

The [DHBRF Workshop programme](#) incorporates panel and breakout sessions addressing these themes and priority health topics.

2. “Transforming good ideas into workable solutions”: NHS Institute for Innovation and Improvement

Dr Lynne Maher is Head of Innovation Practice, NHS Institute for Innovation and Improvement, UK. The Institute works to support the NHS to transform healthcare by rapidly developing and spreading new ways of working, new technology and world-class leadership. Dr Maher has worked with wide ranging groups within the health sector to encourage and teach creativity and innovation, develop leadership in health improvement, and help front-line service teams to be more creative in their improvement work and service delivery. Dr Lynne Maher is a distinguished international keynote speaker at the DHBRF Workshop speaking on ‘Emerging Themes in Innovation and Improvement’. She will also be speaking as part of the Health Innovation Awards symposium.



[More on keynote speakers](#)

3. Topics of Conversation...

The DHBRF Workshop programme features an outstanding line-up of extraordinary New Zealanders showcasing and discussing examples of projects, initiatives and concepts applicable to DHBs and health providers throughout the country.

Examples include:

- CEO of Lakes DHB Cathy Cooney, and Gerald Minnee from The Treasury will be discussing Workforce Innovation;
- Tracey Barron of the Counties Manukau DHB Let's Beat Diabetes initiative and Terry Ehau of Ngati Porou Hauora will demonstrate community development; and
- Service Improvement examples will be presented by Associate Professor Susan Dovey, of the RNZCGP Research Unit, looking at the Primary Care Research Strategy and Wayne Champion, of West Coast DHB, speaking on the PRISM initiative.

The full [DHBRF Workshop programme](#) can be viewed here.

4. Cocktail function

As well as the Minister of Health Hon Pete Hodgson opening the workshop, Hon Steve Maharey Minister of Research, Science and Technology will speak at the events cocktail function. A highlight of the DHBRF Workshop, the cocktail function, will be held following the conference programme from 5pm on Thursday 11th October. This unique networking event will facilitate important communication opportunities for all participants.



5. Health Innovation Awards: Symposium and Gala Dinner



The inaugural DHBRF Workshop is scheduled to coincide with the Annual New Zealand Health Innovation Awards, on Wednesday 10th October 2007. This includes a stimulating afternoon symposium session with a focus on increasing innovation in the health

sector. The Awards Gala Dinner is a black tie event where the award winners are announced. The symposium event is incorporated into the DHBRF Workshop programme. Further information on this MOH/ACC initiative and dinner tickets are available from the [HIA website](#)

6. 5th Health Services Research Association Meeting

Reminder: Registration is open for the 5th **Health Services Research Association Meeting** to be held in **Auckland** this December (visit <http://chsrp.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/health/conference2007/invitation.php>)

List of International and National Speakers includes:

Stephen McKernan: Director General of Health. Has the key strategic role in leading the

development and performance of the New Zealand health system. Prior to the Director-General position Stephen spent 4 years as a Chief Executive, of the Counties-Manukau District Health Board which has a reputation of excellence and innovation with a strong focus on integrated care programmes.

Theodore Marmor: Professor at the Yale School of Management, Professor of Political Science, and an adjunct Professor of the Yale Law School and former Director of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's post-doctoral program in Health Policy & Social Science from 1993-2003. Professor Marmor is a scholar of the politics of the contemporary welfare state in the United States, and also comparatively with other OECD nations

Stephen Duckett: Dr. Duckett PhD, DSc, FCHSE, FASSA, an economist, heads the Reform Team for Queensland Health. He has published widely on Australian health policy and the economics of hospital care, including the measurement of outcomes of hospital care using routine data sets as part of a policy agenda of improving safety and quality of hospital care.

Andrew Bindman: Professor of Medicine, Health Policy, Epidemiology & Biostatistics, at the University of California San Francisco. He is the Director of the California Medicaid Research Institute and the Chief of the Division of General Internal Medicine at UCSF's affiliated San Francisco General Hospital.

Sandra Eades: Noongar woman from Western Australia who has studied and worked for extended periods in NSW. Professor Eades currently leads the development of the Aboriginal Health Research program at the Sax Institute, Sydney. In 2006 she was named NSW Woman of the year in 2006.

Robin Olds: Professor Olds has recently taken up the position of Chief Executive of the Health Research Council of New Zealand.

Hayden Wano: Chairman of Taranaki District Health Board, a position he has held since 2001. He also held a number of senior management positions in the public health and NGO sectors, including the position of Director of Clinical Services with Taranaki Healthcare Limited. He is affiliated to Te Atiawa, Taranaki, Ngati Mutunga and Ngati Awa Iwi.

For more information contact [Paul Brown](#).

5 . Useful Links:

[DHBRF Workshop](#)

[HIA](#)

[DHBNZ](#)

Examples of websites related to DHBRF Workshop presentations:

[Hawke's Bay DHB Incubator](#)

[Counties Manukau DHB: Let's Beat Diabetes](#)

[Neuren Pharmaceuticals](#)

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6 . Next DHBRF e-newsletter:

The next eNewsletter will be due in October 2007 and will detail highlights, discussion points and feedback from the DHBRF Workshop.

7 . About the purpose of the DHBRF e-newsletter:

- Provide DHBs with information relevant to DHB core business i.e. funding and planning activities
- Identify research that could inform planning for public health services
- Identify less relevant research which may have more of a biomedical focus
- Monthly communications focus on one of the priority population health goals as outlined in the New Zealand Health Strategy
- Information is taken from an annual HRC report identifying publications produced by New Zealand research teams or funded by the HRC between May 2005 – June 2006

Information included represents highlights of findings of high-quality research, readily available at the time of writing

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