

# Canterbury Health in all Policies Partnership

## 2012 Annual Report



### Work undertaken

- A Memorandum of Understanding for the joint approach between Partnership Health, CDHB, CPH, ECAN and CCC was signed off by their respective CEOs in January 2012 and a workplan developed.
- The Health Impact Assessment report for the City Council Christchurch Transport Strategic Plan (CTSP) was reformatted and fully integrated into the final Plan and linked on the CTSP website.  
(<http://resources.ccc.govt.nz/files/TheCouncil/policiesreportsstrategies/transportplan/ChchTransportPlan2012Appendices.pdf>)
- A joint work plan was put in place between the CDHB and ECan. The success of this initial workplan has led to the development of a similar workplan between CPH and He Oranga Pounamu. CPH and CCC have almost completed a mapping exercise of existing policy and operational relationships between the two agencies prior to development of a more formal workplan. A similar exercise is being undertaken by the CDHB and the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Agency (CERA).
- The CCC has formalised its Health in all Policies project plan with a focus on building capacity and improving planning and decision-making processes incorporating a HiaP approach. Part of this project is working with other agencies including CHIAP partners to update the City Health profile key issues papers. These are a rich resource of information on determinants of health identified in the 2011 Christchurch City Health Profile and have been used in a variety of ways including as background for CERA's monitoring and analysis programme. The Profile was reprinted in 2012 with updates on progress off the recommendations.
- A CCC representative sits on the CDHB Alcohol Harm Advisory Group. CCC staff presented to the South Island Public Health Alcohol Network on the health related information required for making a Local Alcohol Policy and the process for developing a Policy.

### Evaluation

- a. Evaluation of the Health and Wellbeing Impact Assessment on the Canterbury Regional Land Transport Strategic Plan has identified a range of recommendations that will assist in future impact assessment work.
- b. Evaluation is complete of the initial phases of the CDHB and ECan HiaP workplan and has identified a number of recommendations to strengthen the way in which the two organisations can work together in a HiaP approach. Many of these have already been actioned.

### Useful Resources

Available at <http://www.cph.co.nz/About-Us/Health-in-all-Policies/Default.asp>

- Health impact assessment on the Christchurch Transport Strategic Plan (CCC 2012).
- Updated HiaP Tools and Concepts.
- Planning for Positive Outcomes

Available at <http://www.healthychristchurch.org.nz/city-health-profile.aspx>

- City Health Profile 2012 and updated key issues paper

## Planning for 2013

Over 2012 these objectives were largely met as shown through this annual report, the exception is Objective Two. Work continues on developing relationships to progress this objective.

**Objective 1:** The Leadership Group operates as a highly functioning and effective partnership in order to develop the HiP approach in Canterbury.

**Objective 2:** The Treaty of Waitangi is recognised and informs the work of the CHIAP Partnership.

**Objective 3:** The partner organisations increase their understanding of the “Health in all Policies” approach through capacity building/training activities (e.g. HIA training, presentations) that are planned and evaluated.

**Objective 4:** The partner organisations promote and incorporate HiP activities (e.g. Health Impact Assessments or HIA, Integrated Recovery Guide or IRG, cross-sector workshops) into policy and programme development in an annually planned approach.

**Objective 5:** The partner organisations evaluate the HiP activities within their organisations to continually improve and assess value.

The development of the 2013 work plan is underway and includes discussions about the membership and future role of CHIAP.

## Capacity Building

- In October a two day HIA training session was run at Community and Public Health and was open to all CHIAP partners and other interested parties. The training was organised in response to a request for focused discussion around topical issues such as the Greater Christchurch Education Review. Feedback was very positive and participants appreciated the practical application. Many participants indicated they would be able to use the tools to ensure a determinants lens was placed over their work immediately.
- Over the year Policy staff from CCC, CPH and ECan have benefited from a jointly coordinated professional development programme.
- Development and delivery of a workshop with community agencies to enable them to apply the Te Pae Mahutonga framework to early stages of planning. This workshop has very positive evaluations and resources continue to be developed to support planning at an early stage.

## Recognition of the work of CHIAP

Ensuring up to date information is kept on the website has meant that the work of the CHIAP partnership has been visible across NZ and internationally. In November this year three members from the Korean Research Institute for Human Settlements came to Christchurch specifically to learn from the members of CHIAPP about working in a Health in All Policies way. The meeting provided an important opportunity to reflect on the journey to date and to pass on some of the lessons we have learnt along the way.

