# **Key Messages – Alliance Leadership Team**



Memo to:	South Island Alliance stakeholders
Purpose of memo:	To provide a summary of the key messages from the most recent South Island Alliance Leadership Team (ALT) meeting.
ALT meeting date:	Monday 11 May 2020

### Alliance strategic review

ALT discussed the impact of COVID-19 on Alliance strategy and acknowledged the need for a collective approach towards our ongoing response. It was agreed a group would be established, comprising the four South Island General Managers Planning and Funding, Carol Atmore as Chair and Janice Donaldson as Facilitator, to advise on a refocus of the Alliance and its activities over the next two years.

### 2 Impact of COVID-19

ALT discussed the need for consistent capture and reporting of data around planned care recovery and other pandemic related issues, by DHBs and as a region. This includes all costs in relation to COVID-19 expenses, e.g. leave not taken. It was agreed that DHB cost trackers would be aligned to address this.

### 3 Group membership update

ALT approved the following nominations:

- Dianna Black, Consumer, South Canterbury DHB, and Dr Evan Mason, Consultant Psychiatrist, Southern DHB, as co-chairs of the Mental Health and Addictions SLA
- Mere Wallace, Vicar/Archdeacon, Anglican Māori Diocese of Waipounamu, as Māori representative on the Health of Older People SLA.

## ALT meeting date: Monday 8 June 2020

#### 1 Operationalising the South Island Data and Digital Strategy

Gabe Rijpma, Chair of the Information Services SLA, presented a range of options to operationalise the new South Island Data and Digital Strategy. A decentralised/collaborative model was endorsed by ALT to support the five strategic programmes: person (patient) participation, empowering health care workforce, future of work, data and insights, and innovation and transformation. SIAPO's General Manager, staff and key stakeholders are to develop a resourcing plan for consideration by ALT.

### 2 | Alliance strategic review and operational reset

The strategic review group (convened at the previous ALT meeting) presented recommendations for the refocus of the Alliance and its activities over the next two years. ALT endorsed the recommendations, which included confirming the Alliance strategic direction remains fit for purpose and that the South Island General Managers Planning and Funding design an operational reset of the regional work programme to ensure alignment with the Ministry of Health's Planned Care Strategic Approach 2019-2024. The group will report back to the July and August ALT meetings.

### 3 New South Island SUDI policy

ALT endorsed a South Island Sudden Unexpected Death in Infancy (SUDI) policy that provides direction for coordinated action on SUDI prevention and safe infant sleeping practices across DHB facilities and contracted providers. This includes consistency with current national guidelines and messaging (verbal and written) for safe infant sleeping practices that are culturally appropriate and prioritised to groups experiencing health inequities, and workforce education for health workers.

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E hara tāku toa i te toa takitahi, he toa takitini. My strength is not as an individual but as a collective.