

## New Clinical Nurse Managers Start the 'Change' Ball Rolling

The appointment of new Clinical Nurse Managers is an exciting time for Wairau Hospital and the redevelopment project. These new roles have been developed as part of the new staffing model which will be supported by the new facility.

The new roles and appointments are as below:

- Combined Inpatient CNM – Sue Allen
- ED/HDU/AAU CNM – Sharon North
- Combined Outpatients, District Nursing and Oncology CNM – Brenda McAlpine
- Maternity CNM, Graham Cross, Paediatric CNM, Sue Smart and Theatre Day Stay CNM, Maureen Leggett have been reconfirmed in their existing roles.

Sue Allen, Inpatient CNM is excited about the new role. "I'm really looking forward to commencing the role and being part of

the exciting change at Wairau Hospital" commented Sue, "we have three really good teams from AT&R, medical and surgical departments who will integrate into a 47 bed inpatient area, they will be a fantastic group to work with". Sue saw the new combined inpatient department as being a wonderful environment for patients and staff with the added opportunity for staff to be involved in cross skilling and sharing knowledge".

Two Associate Charge Nurse Managers are currently being recruited for the Inpatient department and Sue is looking forward to

leading an enthusiastic, energetic and positive inpatient team into the future.

The combined HDU/AAU/ ED role will also be challenging, however Sharon North is excited about the role. Sharon is looking forward to 'working towards developing an integrated hot floor and the improved patient flow opportunities with the Acute Assessment Unit (AAU)'.



CNM's Maureen Leggett, Brenda McAlpine, Sue Allen and Sharon North (absent Graham Cross and Sue Smart)

### What's happening in the next 3 months?

- Construction commences for phase 1 – Allied Health and District Nursing, AT&R, Medical & Surgical Inpatients, Pharmacy and Chapel
- CNM Orientation commences
- Community Liaison Group meets again
- Developed Design completed for Phase 2 user groups
- ACNM's appointed and orientation commences
- Surgical Outpatient Department prepares for temporary move into Learning and Development
- Mortuary Re-commissioning Ceremony Held
- Old SOPD refurbished for HDU to move into

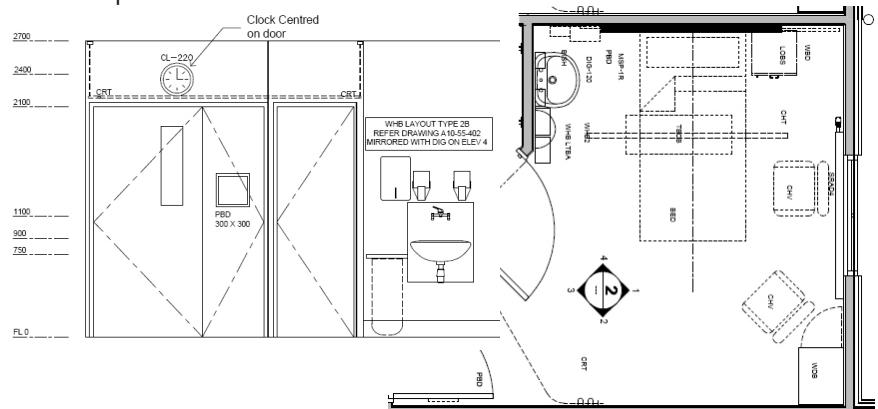
### Decanting and Staging

The Decanting and Staging committee met last month to kick start the planning for construction and temporary moves for some departments.

A newsletter will be distributed regularly during this stage to keep staff and patients informed of the move.

### Detailed Design Complete for Phase 1

Phase 1 departments have signed off Detailed Design this month. These drawings are now transferred into 'Construction Drawings' and handed over to our construction company. User group members have had a big job of reviewing these complex and detailed design drawings in a tight time frame. A big thank you to all staff who have been involved in this process.



Detailed Design Drawing for typical Inpatient bed, showing elevation of door and Wash Hand basin

## Staff Focus – Oncology Unit

The new oncology unit design is almost complete and will feature 5 treatment spaces, staff office and a consult office and be co-located with the Outpatient facility. This is a change in the model of care for Oncology as it currently sits in two areas with the staff



Emma Ormrod, Chris Montgomery Brenda McAlpine, designing the new Oncology Unit

office in District Nursing Service and the Oncology Treatment Room adjacent to the surgical ward in the Arthur Wicks building.

The new location will allow the Oncology Service to reside in a purpose built area with improvements for the patients with natural light and improved access to the service. Staff will benefit by having all functions of the service located in one area allowing greater flexibility of staff; adequate storage and hygiene facilities along with close access to the Outpatients department and both nursing and medical staff.

Brenda McAlpine and the Oncology Nursing staff have been heavily involved in designing the future department and consider that the new Oncology unit will help set the benchmarking for other areas around New Zealand to observe.

Although the Outpatient and Oncology units will not be complete until the 3rd stage of the project, July 2010, the staff are looking forward to a purpose built modern facility for their patients.

## Web Site – Live Web Cams

As construction progresses, staff and community members can view the action live on line on the Wairau Hospital Redevelopment Project web site [www.nmdhb.govt.nz/wairau](http://www.nmdhb.govt.nz/wairau)

The Web site also houses the updated Ex-Site newsletter, project program, latest plans, key project team members and images from the construction site. We would also like to hear from you. If you have any feedback or suggestion, please contact Emily Radnor, Project Administrator and Communications Coordinator [emily.radnor@nmhs.govt.nz](mailto:emily.radnor@nmhs.govt.nz) or 03 520 9859

## Security and Clean Utility Rooms

Sandy Russell, Security and Household District Manager presented to User Group co-leaders and Heads of Departments in August regarding the future security measures for the new hospital.

Security and access remains an important

issue for the DHB and its incorporation in the Wairau Hospital site to ensure safety remains a priority.

Swipe card access will be installed at most access doors into departments, as well as clean utility and drug safes on the wards.

Increased security at Wairau Hospital will include reducing the current 27 unsecured entrances into the hospital and therefore provide a safer environment for staff and patients.

## Delays Expected for Main Construction

Due to issues associated with the final sign off of the Preliminary Design Report for the Wairau Hospital Redevelopment Project, the project will be delayed a number of weeks prior to the commencement of the main construction works.

Martin Ridgway, Project Director considered that “the delay was unfortunate, but I am confident that the project team would not lose enthusiasm to crack on with the project once the green light is provided by Wellington”

Contact has been made with the Ministry of Health and we are expecting sign off in the next week.

The Hawkins Construction team will remain on site and continue to prepare for the Main construction works.

Although this means an overall delay to the final completion of the hospital, the project team are confident that the redevelopment will be successful.

## Environmental Sustainability for Wairau Hospital

As part of the Wairau Hospital redevelopment, the project team have been dedicated, where possible, to implement as many Environmental Sustainable Design elements as possible. Throughout the design, the following areas have been incorporated into the build of the new hospital:

- Design to maximize passive solar gain using building orientation
- Use of shading to minimize summer heat gain.
- Narrower building footprint and courtyards allow passive natural cross ventilation and cooling through opening of windows where possible
- Air conditioning able to be minimized by these design approaches but still used where essential e.g. isolation rooms
- Same shape helps maximize natural light using windows and courtyards
- Additional insulation above that required in building code for both domestic and commercial buildings.
- Double glaze windows in new build
- Improved bike parking