



MINISTRY OF HEALTH

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME

2011 – 2013

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BACKGROUND

. First Principles Review (November 2010 – April 2011)

- An appraisal of current policy and legislation to confirm high level principles and benchmarks.
- An appraisal of service specifications, surveillance processes (including collection and reporting of ethnicity data) and research activity to determine key issues and gaps in information and whether services aligned with first principles.
- A desk review of current public health contracts for all SRH services to determine key issues and gaps in information and whether services aligned with first principles.
- Analysis of information gathered from appraisals and desk review.
- Ultimately lead to the development of the Ministry SRH work programme.

. Review of HIV/AIDS Services in New Zealand 2010

- A stock-take of services for people living with HIV.
- Determine level and quality of service provision.
- Identified service gaps.
- Resulted in a number of recommendations to improve sector responsiveness to HIV/AIDS.

. Ministry Sexual and Reproductive Health Steering Group

- Sponsored and Chaired by Margie Apa, DDG, SCI.
- Cross Ministry representation
- Meetings are bi-monthly
- Role: To provide strategic advice during the development and implementation of the SRH work programme by advising on:
 - the general direction of the project
 - ensure cross-Ministry coordination and cohesion for enhanced management of SRH
 - ensure linkages are maintained across the MoH
 - confirms priorities, and proposed activities, for the work programme
- Is supported by a project team which meets monthly.

- **Ministry of Health Sexual and Reproductive Health Workplan 2011-2012**
 - Supports the Ministry SOI 2011.
 - 2 year plan, to be reviewed annually.
 - Internal to the Ministry
 - Aims to improve health outcomes in sexual and reproductive health
 - An acknowledgment of the need to improve coordination and integration across the Ministry to affect change.
 - Living document

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OVERALL OUTCOME

Good Sexual And Reproductive Health For All New Zealanders¹

All New Zealanders lead longer, healthier and more independent lives²

Whānau ora: families are supported to achieve their maximum health and wellbeing³

KEY OUTCOMES

Improved sexual and reproductive health (SRH) outcomes for priority populations

Enhanced management of sexual and reproductive health

SRH service providers supported to deliver improvements

People have confidence in SRH systems and services

PRIORITY AREAS

- SRH outcomes particularly for Māori, Pacific and young people

- Ministry leadership of SRH policy and strategy
- Surveillance and research
- SRH workforce development

- Service specifications and best practice
- Sustainability of SRH providers

- Stakeholder engagement
- SRH regulation and legislation
- Progress on New Zealand's SRH commitments under United Nation's treaties

¹ *Sexual and Reproductive Health Strategy Phase One*, Ministry of Health, 2001

² *Statement of Intent 2011-14*, Ministry of Health, 2011

³ *He Korowai Oranga Māori Health Strategy*, Ministry of Health, 2002

PRIORITY ACTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

POLICY BUSINESS UNIT – Leadership of SRH policy

	Improved sexual and reproductive health outcomes for priority populations	Enhanced management of sexual and reproductive health (SRH)	SRH service providers supported to deliver improvements	People have confidence in SRH systems and services
Populations Policy Team 2		Evidence-based 'refresh' of Ministry policy directions for SRH		Monitor progress of Public Health Bill (with CLPR)
Health and Disability Intelligence Unit Analytical Projects		Map SRH services in relation to current STI surveillance data		

SECTOR CAPABILITY & IMPLEMENTATION BUSINESS UNIT– Leadership of across-Ministry SRH work programme

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Office of the Deputy Director-General Māori Health Improvement Programme		Sponsor of SRH project and chair of SRH steering group Coordination of the across-Ministry SRH steering group Across-Ministry SRH work programme for 2011-14 is implemented and monitored Development and implementation of Value for Money project		Stakeholder engagement on draft across-Ministry SRH work programme

Pacific Programme Implementation		Research on cultural strengths in Pacific communities as a mechanism for supporting healthy relationships and sexual behaviour (with MPIA)		
CLINICAL LEADERSHIP, PROTECTION & REGULATION BUSINESS UNIT – Leadership for clinical input, protection and regulation				
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Public Health Office of the Director of Public Health		Clinical input for sexual health		
Public Health Communicable Diseases		Address gaps and enhance approach to STI surveillance, including improving collection and reporting of ethnicity data Ongoing STI and HIV/AIDS surveillance including behavioural risk surveillance	Review of Public Health Service Specification, Tier Two (sexual health) National best-practice primary care guidelines for management of STIs	Sexual health sector stakeholder relationships International participation and reporting including WHO/UNAIDS
Public Health Public Health Legislation			Review of Public Health Service Specifications, Tier One (with Public Health, NHB)	Monitor progress of Public Health Bill (with Policy)

NATIONAL HEALTH BOARD – Leadership for procurement and funding of Public Health SRH services

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National Services Purchasing, Public Health	<p>Key performance indicators for Māori & Pacific populations for sexual health logic model</p> <p>National conversation on stigma in health & HIV action agenda</p> <p>Pilot of behavioural survey with African community for better prevention programmes</p> <p>Review and update the HIV/AIDS Action Plan</p>	<p>Rangatahi SRH research project (with HRC)</p> <p>Māori SRH health promotion workforce development and competency frameworks</p>	<p>Procurement, funding and contract management of SRH services delivered by national, regional and local organisations, DHBs and Public Health Units</p> <p>Project plan for implementation of the reorientation of SRH services (Output Plan 2011/12)</p> <p>Best practice models for Pacific SRH services</p> <p>Evaluation of NZAF's safe sex & HIV prevention programme</p> <p>National conversation on standards for HIV counselling & testing provision, training & monitoring, and guidelines</p> <p>NZSHS annual conference</p> <p>Review of Public Health Service Specifications, Tier One (with CLPR)</p>	<p>SRH stakeholder engagement on procurement and funding</p>

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

- Investment into viability, capability and capacity building of a range of sexual health services such as Maori sexual health promotion providers, peer sexuality education providers, health promotion and clinical services.
- Investment into workforce development and sustainable programme support for services, particularly to Rangatahi Maori
- Investment into the development of training resources for health professionals addressing particular population group issues i.e. FGM training programme for NZ Police and CYF staff involved in legal cases regarding illegal FGM
- Ongoing dialogue with Ministry of Education to ensure a comprehensive sexuality education programme for all schools that recognises diversity and is supported by the Ministries of Health and Education.
- Further investment into evaluation and research such as the Behavioural survey with the African community and the evaluation of THETA and PSSP.
- Expansion of NZAF's 'Get it On' safe sex and HIV prevention social marketing programme.

