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Waitakere Anti-Violence Essential Services

**WAVES Trust Inter-Agency Meeting
February 7th, 2012 10–12noon
Glen Eden Baptist Church**

Present: Poto Williams, Jo Richdale, Deirdre Tollestrup, Deborah Yates (Waves Trust); Kimiyo Yamasaki; Amitha Krishnamurthi (CYFS); Kelly Maung (Auckland Council); Jim Heays (Man Alive); Andrea Partington (CADS West); Samuel Cho (The Asian Network Inc); Annmarie Ritacce, Trish Covich (Family Works); Gary Sutcliffe (Waitakere Health Link); Michelle Hazeldine (Barnardos Waitakere); Nicky Tatana (Challenge Trust); Estelle Mendelsohn (Private Practice/Home and Family); Mary Underwood (MSD/W & I); Maja Mumenthaler (Aged Concern); Natalie Dillan (Waitakere District Court-Victim Advisor); Grant Warner (Baptist Union Child & Family); Will Rula (Westside Counselling); Ann Ross (Waves Trust- Minute Taker).

Apologies: Sharyn Chow (Barnardos Waitakere); Michelle Clayton (WATCS and Viviana); Peter Toews (Strengthening Families); Jane Meek (WINZ); Elaine Dyer and Tracey Winther (Violence Free Waitakere); Gaye Guptill (WINZ); Margaret Devlin (WDHB); Selina Vaifale (Waitakere District Court); Gayle Bosanquet (Women's Centre Waitakere).

Welcome: Opening and karakia at 10:10 by Deirdre Tollestrup.

Introductions: There was a round of introductions with people giving a brief overview of the services they provided.

Minutes: Minutes from the meeting on 4th October were moved as accepted by Jo Richdale, 2nd by Poto Williams.
Minutes from the meeting on 6th December were moved as accepted by Gary Sutcliffe, 2nd by Andrea Partington.

Matters Arising : None

Service Introduction:

Samuel Cho, TANI Public Health Coordinator

Samuel introduced himself having come from Korea 18 years ago.

In 2006 Asians made up 9.2% of the NZ population. In Auckland this is approximately 15%. By 2020 Auckland's Asian population will be approximately 20 to 25%.

TANI was formed originally by the Auckland City Council. The focuses of the organisation are:-

- Networking and connecting
- Identifying and responding to needs

- Health awareness and promotion
- Participation in decision making
- Liaising with other organisations
- Identifying further opportunities
- Being a credible national voice

plus other initiatives and innovations such as advocacy, cultural advice and referrals.

TANI publish a quarterly newsletter.

Samuel then answered questions from the network.

There was applause from the network for the presentation Samuel gave.

Samuel can be contacted on Ph: 815 2338 or Email:

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Auckland Regional Hui on Family and Sexual Violence:

Deirdre explained that a hui was called to gather information on family violence and sexual health. 5 main caucuses were formed to gather input on their particular issues:- family violence networks, sexual violence, Pacifica, Maori, and, Ethnic caucuses, with each also paying attention to the needs of women, children, men, elderly and disabled. The main hui is on 2nd March at Orakei Marae starting at 9:30. Each caucus will be given 20 minutes to present and the rest of the day will be workshops. From this hui will come material for the Auckland Council to use in their 10 year long term plan. Poto is part of the steering group, plus the Pacifica caucus, which looked at (among other things) housing for Pacifica people and Council bylaws on liquor, gambling and pokies.

Deirdre is part of the family violence network hui, and discussions; including the need for child centred policies which can be lost if only seen as part of 'the family'. More info to be emailed via WAVES.

Green Paper Update:

Jo spoke on the progress she is making on the Green Paper submission. Jo has split the submission into 4 sections and has sent out to the network the 4 sections as a Word document. People can then send submit the sections they feel are relevant to them and/or alter the sections to suit. Michelle thanked Jo for doing this as it made it easy for people to make submissions.

Jo has almost completed the Waves Trust submission on behalf of the network. She will send it out shortly, and will need to receive any responses to her draft a week before the 28th February deadline for Green Paper submissions to give her time to formalise the Waves Trust networks submission.

Family Court Review Submission:

Jo will have the draft submission out within the next two weeks for comments.

Blow The Whistle:

The Clearing House are conducting an evaluation of the Blow The Whistle campaign. When it is public it will be sent out to the network. Waves still has resources available if your organisation wants them.

General Business/Announcements:

- Prachi from Shine is hosting a conference on child focused training in early May. Waves Trust will send out details when they are available.

-Deirdre said to please email her with any notices and she will happily send them out to the network.

Meeting Dates for 2012:

April 3rd

June 5th

August 7th

October 16th

December 4th

Meeting Closed: 12:00 noon.