

Annual Report

Chairman's Report

Dr. Hany Gayed

Perhaps on the surface it would seem that the Nepean Division of General Practice has been treading water. This is far from the reality as we have been working very hard beneath the surface to position ourselves for the future.

The Medicare Locals will cease to exist from July 2015, and be replaced by Primary Health Networks (PHNs). This followed a review by Professor John Horvath AO who concluded the need to 'reinforce General Practice as the cornerstone of integrated primary health care to ensure patient care is optimal'. The Horvath Report noted that Medicare Locals in general have failed to engage General Practitioners.

An Interim GP led Council has been formed with Dr Leventhal and myself as members in conjunction with GPs from the Medical associations in the other LGAs. We have commenced forming protocols to have a direct influence on the decision making, policies and services of the proposed PHN Board. General Practitioners will be involved in PHNs through the Division into the Clinical Councils.

As a General Practitioner it is very pleasing that the Government has finally realised that the GP is paramount in any model encompassing Primary Health. A model that does not place the General Practitioner central in the decision making process involving policy and services will not succeed. This opportunity to have a strong voice within a government organisation that focuses on Primary health can only succeed if we all show our support. Such an opportunity is extraordinary and therefore we must play a significant leadership role within the PHNs. If it fails it will ultimately lead to a model of care that will certainly deprive the GP of an active future role in service delivery and policy/decision making of primary health initiatives, which will ultimately affect the health of our patients.

The Company Secretary, Michael Edwards and myself attended a forum run by the Australian General Practice Network. Like ourselves the AGPN is also positioning itself for the future. It has regained membership on the National peak body UGPA which includes AMA and RACGP. GP NSW having relegated ongoing Divisions to Associated Members has now brought us back into the fold as full members.

Your Board has also been active within the following Portfolio responsibilities to better serve you and undertake the Board's ongoing function these are:

- CPD – Dr B Richardson
- CRG Committee – Dr V Leventhal
- HealthOne – Dr M Dowsett
- Membership – Dr S Prakash
- After Hours – Dr S Wong

At the Annual Planning day in February 2014, the Board adopted a particular focus of Advocate; Educate and Communicate within the approved strategic plan. There is no other dedicated local body to represent local GPs concerns and interests. This is where your ongoing Division is positioning itself to better serve you, our Members.



ADVOCATE: We have made representation with the Local Member Fiona Scott concerning the \$7 Co-payment. In conjunction with the Consumer Representative Group (CRG) we strongly made a case that this levy should not apply to GPs. We continue to Advocate for GPs through the Medicare Local avenues.

EDUCATE: We have not only lobbied to retain Friday CPD events but also worked with the Medicare Local to source Speakers and Sponsorship. We recognise the need to have pertinent CPD events in our local area.

COMMUNICATE: This is perhaps the hardest to satisfy all members. We would like to use emails more efficiently along with fax outs. On our agenda is to address the mechanisms to conduct Straw polls and surveys to ensure we truly represent the views of our members.

CRG: The Consumer Reference Group is our link with the community. Our CRG has a wellness focus with preventive health and education being the main priority. It is truly representative of the Penrith LGA Demographics and is co-Chaired by Mr. Joe Rzepecki.

We are, and remain corporate members with full voting rights of NBM ML, Wentwest, AGPN, GPNSW and Consumers Health Forum of Australia.

We would like to thank Tina, Dawn, Anita, and Adam who as well as juggling their work with the Medicare Local provide valuable administrative duties and support for the Division. We also thank the Sheila (CEO) and Lizz (D/CEO) for their support of the Division during the year.

Directors Report

Your Directors' submit the financial accounts as attached in the Audited Financial Report of the Organisation for the year ended 30 June 2014.

Principle Activities

The principal activity of the entity during the year was educate, promote and advocate for the professional interests of Medical Practitioners in General Practice and to promote the control or prevention of disease in human beings to:

The community

General Practice

Other professions and profession bodies, and

Other branches of the medical profession.

Trading Results

The net result of the entity for the year ended 30 June 2014 was a deficit of \$24,459.

No income tax was payable by the entity.

Events Subsequent to Balance Date

The organisation has received previous funds held by the ATO from BAS statements. An outstanding Liability is required to be paid to the NMB ML. The Board has taken out Directors Liability insurance cover on the ongoing function of the NDGP. The Board believes it will remain solvent in its limited range of operations of the entity, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the entity in subsequent financial years.

Changes in the State of Affairs

There have been no significant changes in the state of affairs of the entity during the year.

Review of Operations

The ability of the entity to continue operating as a going concern is dependent upon interest from equity, Member's dues, cost of services and drawing upon Reserves. Provisions have been made to pay ongoing liabilities during forward years.

Likely Developments

The entity will remain the representative body of the Penrith LGA General Practitioners .

Directors' Benefits

No committee member has, during the financial year, received or become entitled to receive a benefit (other than a benefit included in the aggregate amounts of emoluments received or due and receivable by the committee members as disclosed in the financial report) by reason of a contract made by the entity with the committee member or with a firm of which they are

members, or with a company or entity in which they have a substantial financial interest.

Members determine the aggregated remuneration payable to Directors and the Board determines its allocation by way of payments between Directors.

Details of remuneration for each Director is available.

Directors

The Board members in office at 30 June 2013 were as follows:

Director	Office	Board-Service (years)
Dr Hany Gayed	Chair	8
Dr Brian Richardson	Vice Chair	11
Dr Mark Dowsett	Treasurer	11
Dr Viviane Leventhal	Secretary	3
Dr Steven Wong	Member	14
Dr Shiva Prakash	Member	13
Mr Michael Edwards	Company Secretary	13

Declaration by Members of the Committee

In the opinion of the members of the committee:

- a) the financial statements and notes of the entity:
 - i) give a true and fair view of the entity's financial position at 30 June 2014 and of its performance for the year ended on that date;
 - ii) comply with Accounting Standards in Australia;and
- b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the entity will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.



Dr Hany Gayed
Chair

28th October 2014



Dr Mark Dowsett
Director

General Purpose Financial Report year ended 30 June 2014

The independent audit report was conducted and compiled by Berger Piepers, Chartered Accountants.

"I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit of The Nepean Division of General Practice Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2014 there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; or
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.." (signed Berger piepers dated 28 October 2014)

The full financial report is available on request to the Nepean Division of General Practice. The Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Statements are provided below.

BALANCE SHEET	2014	2013
Current Assets	\$1,313,924	\$1,336,910
Non-Current Assets	\$ 2,404	\$ 884
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,316,328	\$1,337,794
Current Liabilities	\$33,499	\$30,506
Non-Current Liabilities	\$ 0	\$ 0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 33,499	\$30,506
EQUITY	\$1,282,829	\$1,307,288

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

INCOME	2014	2013
Grants		(\$30,000)
Other Funding		\$ 493,431
Membership Fees	\$ 3,364	\$ 1,823
Interest	\$ 44,676	\$ 54,848
Other	\$ 1,751	\$ 1,162,999
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 49,791	\$ 1,683,101
EXPENSES		
Depreciation	\$380	\$ 1,544
Directors	\$ 23,550	\$ 29,178
Accounting & Audit	\$ 9,500	\$ 9,950
Other	\$ 2,415	(\$13,634)
Insurance	\$ 4,504	\$ 39,994
Providers & Contractors	\$2,457	\$432,305
Staff	\$ 27,403	\$342,188
Superannuation	\$ 4,041	\$16,128
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$74,250	\$ 857,653
Operating Surplus/(deficit)	(\$ 24,459)	\$ 825,448

Our Vision:

" To be the lead organisation in the Nepean area that promotes and supports General Practice in providing optimum primary health care to the community"

Our Mission:

" Excellence in GP's as Primary Health care providers "

ADVOCATE EDUCATE COMMUNICATE

ADVOCATE: That we will-

- ✓ Raise issues and make regular contact with Local, State and Federal Members
- ✓ Maintain and build NDGP Consumer Reference Group
- ✓ Appoint GP Representatives to NMB ML Advisory groups

EDUCATE: That -

- ✓ Where appropriate, have a visible presence at NBM ML CPD events
- We source supporting data for press & Radio releases that tie in with an agreed Health Calendar
- We target local registrars for CPD and other educational events

COMMUNICATE: That we will -

- Maintain and make useful the NDGP Webpage
- Explore social Media possibilities
- ✓ Have joint NMB ML Fax-outs

Tracy, Dawn and Elisa receiving their 10 Yr awards for service to the Division



Some members of CRG: Yung Yung, Catherine, Justine, Michael and Joe. Viviane on Phone



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