

Hearing Health Issues Facing the New Zealand Population

Monday November 21 2011, School of Population Health University of Auckland
Tamaki Campus

Draft Programme

8.30am: Welcome and introductions to purpose of the Symposium.

9.00am: Setting the scene:

9.00-9.30: Daniel Exeter, School of Population Health, University of Auckland. **The Changing NZ Population.**

9.30-9.40: Ru Douglas, Dilworth Clinic. **Whakarongo Mai.**

9.40-10.00: Grant Searchfield, School of Population Health, University of Auckland. **Māori hearing loss statistics, access and barriers.**

10.00-10.30: Morning Tea

10.30-11.00: Ofa Dewes, School of Population Health, University of Auckland. **Hearing loss among Pacific communities in New Zealand and the Pacific**

11.00-11.30: Mary O'Keeffe, School of Population Health, University of Auckland. **Hearing Issues Facing the Elderly**

11.30-12.00: Janet Digby **Deafness statistics in New Zealand**

12.00-1pm: Lunch

1.00pm: Specific issues:

1.00-1.30: Suzanne Purdy, Speech Sciences, University of Auckland and Gerhard Sundborn, Auckland University of Technology. **Hearing loss, middle ear disease and auditory processing in 11 year olds in the Pacific Islands Families Study**

1.30-2.00: David Welch, School of Population Health, University of Auckland. **Noise induced Hearing Loss**

2.00-2.30: Louise Carroll, National Foundation for the Deaf. **Prisoner hearing health.**

2.30- 3.00: Jane McEntee, National Screening Unit. **Newborn hearing screening programme.**

3.00-3.30 Afternoon tea

3.30pm Views of Community and Professional Groups:

3.30-3.45: John Harwood, Hearing Association. **Hearing loss among the elderly.**

3.45-4.00 Alan Bensley, NZ Federation of Deaf Children (to be confirmed). **Issues facing children and parents**

4.00-4.15 Karen Pullar, Hearing Instrument Manufacturers Association. **Hearing aids and access in the future**

4.15-4.30 Colin Brown, Northern Cochlear Implant Programme. **Future of cochlear implants**

4.30-5pm Discussion and strategies for these communities