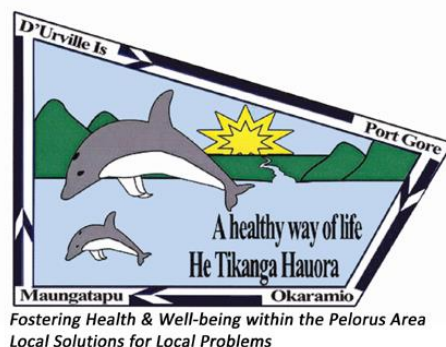


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News from Havelock Medical Centre:

- ✚ **Pricing:** Patients with a Community Services Card receive a discount on general consultations. The cost of a consult (not treatments) reduces to \$19.50 per visit for those people that hold a CSC. Patients have to apply through WINZ for this card. <https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/products/a-z-benefits/community-services-card.html> if you would like more information. It does not discount the cost of a prescription – we have reduced the cost from \$26.00 to \$22.00 but this has nothing to do with CSC and holders of that card will continue to pay the same script fee as those without it. The cost of general consultations for those who do not have a CSC or are not part of careplus has gone from \$47 to \$48.
- ✚ **Enrolments:** Havelock Medical Centre is currently taking new enrolments. This was paused for 4 weeks over the Christmas Holidays. Unfortunately Dr Bird is retiring this year, so new doctors will need to be trained to work at Havelock. From April we will be placing a halt on enrolments until we have secured a suitable replacement, and we will operate on a one in one out scenario, as we cannot keep increasing patient numbers without a replacement.
- ✚ **Registrars and Nurse Practitioners:** There was a registrar in attendance almost all of last year with Dr Hodginkson spending quite a bit of her time at Havelock. She has now moved on and has been replaced by Dr Ryo Eguchi. We expect to be able to have Dr Eguchi spend time at Havelock also; once he has found his feet at Springlands. We do also currently have a Nurse Practitioner who just started her placement-based training with us a couple of weeks ago – Lisa is settling in and will hopefully also spend some time in Havelock once she has found her way around our systems here in Springlands.

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