Evaluation of Capital and Coast District Health Board
Dedicated Education Unit Pilot Programme

Thank you for your interest in this research project. This information is provided so that you can make an informed decision about participating in this study.

This project is being undertaken by Capital and Coast DHB, Whitireia Community Polytechnic and Massey University and has been approved by the Ethics and Research Committee.

What is the purpose of the project?
The purpose of this project is to evaluate the impact of the Dedicated Education Unit (DEU) on CCDHB nursing staff and nursing students from Whitireia Community Polytechnic and Massey University.

What type of participant are we looking for?
Nursing students from Whitireia Community Polytechnic and Massey University who have undertaken clinical placement in the DEU.
Nursing staff (enrolled and registered nurses) who have been employed in the DEU when students are present.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participation?
Benefits include having a deeper understanding of the impact of the DEU on CCDHB staff and undergraduate students. There are no anticipated risks.

What will participants be asked to do?
This study has two phases. In phase one, you will be asked to complete an online questionnaire which will take you about 10 minutes. Phase two involves focus groups of either nursing staff or undergraduate students to discuss the impact of the DEU. The focus group will take approximately 50 minutes. Each participant will be in only one focus group.

Can participants change their mind and withdraw from the project?
You can withdraw from the project at any time. No reason is needed if you choose to withdraw. There will be no disadvantages to you of any kind, or any consequences.

What information will be collected and what use will be made of it?
Questionnaires will be completed anonymously online. Focus groups will be digitally recorded. All collected data is confidential. The final report will include no identifying data. Recordings and transcriptions will be stored in a locked cabinet at Whitireia (WK block, principal investigator’s office) and destroyed after five years. No identifying data will be given in the final report.
Will the information remain confidential and anonymous, and how will this be done?
All information will be kept strictly confidential within the research team and no names will be used. When the results are published you will not be personally identified.

Is there a cost of taking part?
It will not cost you anything to take part in this study.

What if I want more information?
If you have any questions about this project, at any time, you can contact:

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