

# Whanganui District Health Board

## Electing 7 Board Members

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### **Debra SMITH**

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area.

My name is Debra Smith.

Tēnā koutou katoa. Ko Debra tāku ingoa. E noho ana ahau i Whanganui - ko au te awa, ko te awa ko au.

I live in Whanganui with my husband Lachie and our four children.

I have a background as a clinical pharmacist, in hospital and community. Recently, as a mother, I have embraced the kaupapa of Playcentre Aotearoa and invested in whānau and our community, where I developed skills in leadership, governance and strategy.

Currently, I am a facilitator with the Restorative City Whanganui Trust: towards a Restorative City - Honoa ki a Rongo ki Whanganui.

My experience as a health professional and active involvement in leadership and governance in our community offers a valuable perspective to our WDHB.

Our health services need to:

Be innovative and proactive to provide within budget;

Be responsive, collaborative and empowering; and

Improve access and reduce inequity.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board.

I am employed by Restorative City Whanganui Trust and, from time to time, the Trust is contracted to provide services for the DHB.

My husband Dr Lachie Smith is one of the Directors of Aramoho Health Centre and a member of the Whanganui Regional Health Network board.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB. I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.