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Clinical Training Agency (CTA) Postgraduate Nursing Training Funding 2010 Academic Year

The Canterbury District Health Board (DHB) receives CTA funding covering the nursing workforce in Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) in our region, including the Aged Care Sector, rural, Maori, Pacific and population health, contracted nursing services providers eg district nursing, and the Canterbury Primary Health Organisations.

We are delighted with the NGO sector's response to the CTA funding in 2009. Around fifty nurses have been supported this year. See Table 1 for details of their intended qualifications.

Process for 2010 Applications from the Non-provider Arm (NGO sector)

We invite applications for funding for 2010. The CTA funds are only for postgraduate qualifications approved by Nursing Council of New Zealand (NCNZ). Approved courses will lead to a postgraduate certificate, postgraduate diploma or clinical master's degree. The wide range of available post graduate courses can make choosing the appropriate one challenging. Your nurse leader, or Nanette Ainge, CDHB Nurse Consultant - *Postgraduate Nursing Education* are available to assist. nanette.ainge@cdhb.govt.nz or ☎ 03 3871 399.

2010 Application Forms for CTA Funding for postgraduate nursing study are on the CDHB website on the Internet: <http://www.cdhb.govt.nz/communications/forms>. Then go to letter **C**.

All applications for 2010 need to be received by **Monday 9th November, 2009** at 5pm.

Yours sincerely



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Table 1: CTA funded trainees in the Canterbury DHB region in 2009 (NGO sector)

NGO sector includes the Aged Care Sector, rural, Maori, Pacific and population health, contracted nursing services providers eg district nursing, and the Canterbury Primary Health Organisations.

Qualification	Education Partner	2009
Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences - Nursing (<i>Long-term Condition Management</i>)	CPGNS, University of Otago	4
Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences - Nursing (<i>Primary Health Care</i>)	CPGNS, University of Otago	5
Postgraduate Certificate in Hospice Palliative Care	Whitireia / Hospice NZ	5
Postgraduate Certificate in Primary Health Care Specialty Nursing	Whitireia Community Polytechnic	5
Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences (Nursing)	CPGNS, University of Otago	12
Other qualifications		4
Postgraduate Diploma of Nursing	VUW	1
Master of Nursing (Clinical)	VUW /Massey/ Otago/Auckland	6
<i>Data last updated at 11 August, 2009</i>	Total RNs 2nd Semester	42

Their roles include: Practice nurses, Specialist primary health care community nurses, Rural nurses, District nurses, Aged Care nurses, Palliative care nurses and nurse managers.

Eligibility for CTA Funding

The Postgraduate Nursing Education Specification is on the CTA website at www.moh.govt.nz/cta. Funding includes postgraduate Nursing Diplomas and Clinical Masters programmes.

The CTA specification for eligibility requires each RN trainee to:

- Be currently employed as a registered nurse by a health service that is funded by the DHB or Ministry of Health from Vote Health
- Be a NZ citizen or hold a NZ residency permit as conferred by the NZ Immigration Service
- Have evidence of support by their current employer to meet the training requirements
- Enrolled in a qualification approved by the Nursing Council