# It takes a community to make our health services even better



Canterbury District Health Board and Māia Health Foundation working together

Canterbury

District Health Board e Poari Hauora ō Waitaha



**Māia** Health Foundation

#### It takes a community to care

Canterbury District Health Board (DHB) has the second largest geographical area of all DHBs in New Zealand. It serves the second largest population with the highest proportion of over 75s in the country.

Māia Health Foundation is a registered charity formed in 2016 and is the official charity partner of the Canterbury DHB.

Our healthcare workers within the Canterbury DHB are committed to providing patients with the best treatment and care during a time when they are at their most vulnerable. Staff are often thanked with a grateful smile and a handshake – that's one way they know they're doing a great job.

Sometimes patients and whānau want to show their gratitude in another way – such as making a donation, fundraising or leaving a legacy in their will, with the intention that this will help others in similar situations.

This brochure explains the many ways you can help support our health system *and take it from good to great*.



### **Get involved**

We all need our health system at one time or another – and when we do, we want it to be world-class. Māia Health Foundation believes that it takes a community to care. There are many ways our community can help support our health system, including:

## Make a donation, or leave a legacy in your will

Your gift makes life just that little bit easier for the people in our community who will use these services once, twice, or every day. Your gift will help fund important enhancements – projects that will make a real difference right here in Canterbury. Some of the ways you can contribute include:

- Individual or family gifts
- · As a commercial or business partner
- Fundraising
- Bequests and in memoriam giving

Cyril Smith's bequest to the Burwood Spinal Unit was like a miracle. It's provided for upgrades to our facilities and services that will improve the lives of our staff, our patients and their families.

#### **Liz Oliver** Burwood Spinal Unit Service Manager



#### Volunteer

Your time is precious; it can also make a precious difference to your community. Māia volunteers help at various events and fundraising campaigns, where there are never quite enough hands to do all the work.

Volunteering is a fabulous way of being able to give something back to our patients and staff in Canterbury.

**Ngaere Dawson** Māia Volunteer





# The difference your donation makes

Māia Health Foundation raises funds for game-changing health projects in Canterbury. With our community, we have raised \$10 million to help take our health services from good to great – ki te taumata. This has funded a future-proofed rooftop helipad for Christchurch Hospital, enhancements to the children's facilities, improvements at Burwood Spinal Unit, and several other projects that without community fundraising may simply not have happened.

We know these projects make an enormous difference. They help people in our community get the right care, at the right time, and in the right place.

I know my donations are only a splash in the pan, but I know they help somewhere.

Mrs Blacktopp Donor





## **Inspired**?

You can find out more about how to donate, fundraise or volunteer for Māia Health Foundation:

www.maiahealth.org.nz info@maiahealth.org.nz Phone 03 378 6134 www.facebook.co.nz/maiahealth

#### Alternatively, you can donate directly to:

**Māia's bank account:** Westpac 03 1700 0303533 01. Please include your name and telephone number as a reference so that we can clarify where you want your donation to be used and where to send a donation receipt.

#### Kia māia be bold, be brave

The Canterbury DHB is not a registered charity therefore, they cannot issue a donation receipt. Māia Health Foundation is a registered charity (CC52547). That means when you give to Māia, you may be eligible to get back up to one third of your donation as a tax credit.