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Kia ora Koutou  
Greetings

*Bay of Plenty District Health Board (BOPDHB)* and the Pharmacy Programme Team would like to gauge your interest in attending an upcoming local stakeholder forum on 'Integrated Pharmacists' Services in the Community' on Feb 15<sup>th</sup> in Tauranga and 16<sup>th</sup> in Whakatane.

The purpose of the event is to engage with a broad range of stakeholders about the future landscape of pharmacists' services in the community. This is one of similar forums being held across New Zealand in February, and follows a national stakeholder forum that was held in Wellington on 27th November 2015. This is an exciting time for Bay of Plenty, as it is our chance to feed into the national development process; helping shape the future of pharmacists' services in the community.

We are extending this place holder invitation to service users, pharmacists, other health care professionals and service providers that integrate with pharmacist services in the community who may be interested in attending. Once we know who is interested, we will then formulate an invitation list to confirm places. Places will be limited as we will need to ensure a balance of representation at the forum.

I would be most grateful if you could forward this calendar event to individuals that you consider may be interested in attending the forum. I would also ask that you keep in mind, when you forward this invitation on, that this process does require a wide representative group from the BOPDHB region and we will be selecting attendees with this in mind. All those interested can respond to me by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan.

Trust everyone enjoyed a good break over the festive and holiday season with family, friends and whanau.

**Kind regards**

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