

# 1944-2024

#### EIGHTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

#### AND STATEMENT OF

### ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

CHAIRMAN: Jennifer Paynter

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Alice Ma

SECRETARY / TREASURER: Bette Swan

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT: Jocelyn Dutton

BANKERS: Bank of New Zealand

LIFE MEMBER: Anthony Segedin

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REGISTERED CHARITY CC26862

#### **Lung Health Auckland Chairman's Report 2024**

Welcome to the 80<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Lung Health Auckland. Reaching 80 years as a charity is a major achievement, and I am so grateful to be part of this. The Incorporated Societies Act 2022, which modernises the way societies need to operate, has led to Lung Health needing to develop a new constitution, and adopting this new Constitution sets up Lung Health Auckland Inc. to continue its valuable work well into the future.

Lung Health assists patient through the following practical ways

- Assistance with heaters for cold homes, dehumidifiers, curtains, bedding, clothing and anti-allergy covers when and as needed.
- Other financial assistance including help with pressing financial issues including doctors' bills and other costs, rent, food vouchers and other assistance targeted at a patients' particular needs.
- We have replaced TV's and remotes for the Respiratory Ward at Auckland City Hospital.
- Petrol vouchers or bus fares to help patients to get to and from hospital appointments
- Taxis used in helping patients get to and from Hospital appointments.

Taxis remain our largest expenditure, but despite much thought and discussion, it seems that they continue to be an important way to ensure patient attendance at appointments throughout the Auckland region. This also includes helping patients to attend Better Breathing classes, who would be unable to attend without the help of taxis.

Lung Health Auckland prides itself on being available to meet targeted needs promptly without complicated processes, and we need to thank Bette for this.

Lung Health also acknowledged Medical Staff, Nurses and patients working through Easter and Christmas by providing food and goodies to the Respiratory Ward ACH and to the Public Health staff. We also provided a celebration cake to the Mycobacterial Special Interest Group meeting 2024 recognising World TB Day.

At Christmas, food vouchers were also given to patients identified as needing extra assistance.

I wish to thank everyone who has applied to become members. Without members Lung Health Auckland Inc. could not meet the Charities requirements. Thank you to those who have attended the Special General Meeting to accept the new Constitution thereby meeting the requirements of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022, and also for staying on for the Annual General Meeting.

I want to thank Bette for all the extra hours which were required rewriting the Constitution for Lung Health Auckland Inc. together with the help of Chris Lynch and Anthony Segedin and myself.

I also want to thank those who have given donations.

To the Percy Asser and Mary Isabel Asser Trust in the grant of \$60,000.

Forsyth Barr for the kind donation of \$500.

Anna Young an artist/potter again gave donation of \$166

The amazing Starship Nurses who made Lung Health their Give a Little beneficiary for their Round the Bays run, raising \$860

Thank you, Jocelyn, for promptly reviewing the financials and to Martin Edwards and Mandy Pettit for maintaining the investment portfolio for Lung Health Auckland Inc.

And finally, to the executive committee Bette Swan, Alice Ma and Jenny Paynter who have met monthly.

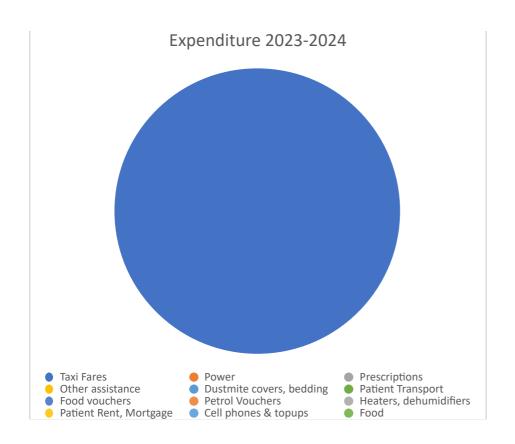
Last year I indicated both Bette and I will likely retire in 1-3 years, and although it is not this year, we need to be putting into place a plan for our succession. I can assure you that we will ensure suitable candidates will be found to carry on the work of Lung Health Auckland Inc.

Jenny Paynter

Chairman

## **Assistance Given:**

	2023-24	2022-23
Taxi Fares	27364.51	16470.93
Power	9990.00	8034.12
Prescriptions	1130.38	1965.05
Other Assistance	6424.27	3949.51
<b>Dustmite Covers, Bedding</b>	3871.73	3123.98
Patient Transport	315.00	115.85
Food Vouchers	7560.00	4900.00
Petrol Vouchers	3973.51	807.91
Heaters, dehumidifiers	5716.90	6378.33
Patient Rent	3260.00	3310.00
Cell phones, top ups	1285.80	623.00
Food	198.56	150.00
Totals:	\$71090.66	\$49828.68

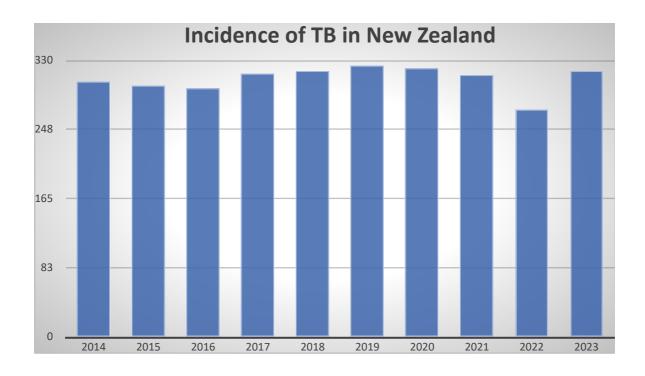


#### **INCIDENCE OF TUBERCULOSIS THROUGHOUT NEW ZEALAND 2023**

Figures supplied by Surveillance Query Team, Institute of Environmental Science & Research Ltd

TB cases notified in the year ending 31.12.23 = **317** 

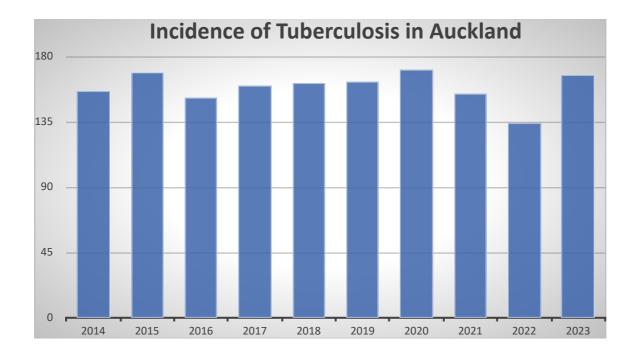
2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
305	300	297	314	317	323	321	313	271	317



# Incidence of Tuberculosis in Auckland 2023 (2022) = 167 (134)

Auckland notifications, previous years:

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
156	169	152	160	162	163	171	154	134	167



#### FROM AUCKLAND CHILDREN'S TB CLINIC REPORT 2023 (2022)

Number of new patients seen: 106 (61)

Total new cases: Latent TB Infection 37 (16), TB Disease 9 (5)

**Ethnicity**: Vietnamese 1, Niuean 1, Kiribati 1, Cook Island Māori 1, Samoan/

Māori/New Zealand 1, Other Pacific Peoples 2

**Age:** < 1 y: 0 1-5 yrs: 3 6-15 yrs: 6