

1ST FLOOR PLAN OF EASTGATE SHOPPING CENTRE



In the adjoining space on the first floor, the Better Health-led primary healthcare providers will deliver a collective Integrated Family Health Centre that supports mental, emotional, social and physical health. Services include the Linwood Medical Centre general practice, as well as a pharmacy, physiotherapy service, district nursing, midwifery care, mental health counselling services, a breastfeeding clinic, hand therapy, acupuncture, occupational therapy services and other specialist medical clinics.

The Linwood Library and Service Centre are already located on the first floor.

Bringing these essential public and community services together will support the revitalisation of Eastgate Shopping Centre as a town centre.

We expect the child, family and community health and wellbeing services will be available from Eastgate by mid-2016.

For more information about the social services contact IPVision@avivafamilies.org.nz, or the Integrated Family Health Centre info@betterhealth.health.nz

AN IRRESISTIBLE PROPOSITION

CO-LOCATING CHILD AND FAMILY HEALTH AND WELLBEING SERVICES IN EASTERN CHRISTCHURCH

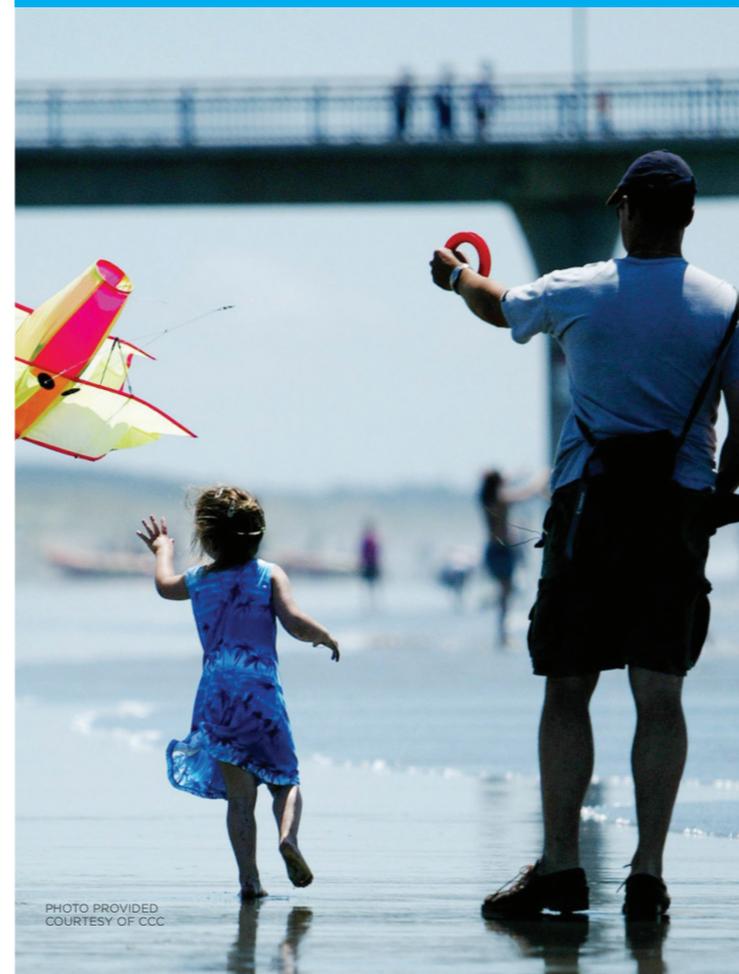


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INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Having experienced significant disruption as a result of the Canterbury earthquakes, a number of non-government organisations, primary healthcare providers and humanitarian organisations are coming together to create a 'child, family and community health and wellbeing centre' in eastern Christchurch. Their aim is to improve outcomes for families and communities by co-locating services in an easy to access central location, the first floor of Eastgate Shopping Centre. The creation of a whole of person, whole of family/whanau approach to wellbeing which can be delivered from one shared space has never been achieved before in Australasia, and creates a unique opportunity for the Canterbury community.

One side of the centre will be dedicated to social services, and the other to primary health services. The key social service agencies are Aviva (formerly Christchurch Women's Refuge), Barnardos and Family Help Trust. He Waka Tapu and New Zealand Red Cross will also operate from this part of the centre, and staff from government and other agencies will be invited to share the space.

AN OVERVIEW OF CO-LOCATING SOCIAL SERVICE AND PRIMARY HEALTHCARE PARTNERS

Aviva

Aviva is an independent, specialist Canterbury-based family violence agency. Founded in 1973 as Christchurch Women's Refuge, Aviva was New Zealand's first refuge. Aviva supports children, women and men to become violence-free through a wide and unique variety of family violence related programmes and services. Aviva also provides support and advocacy with other agencies, including the Canterbury Sexual Assault Support Service in partnership with START, and community development and education through specialist family violence training.

www.avivafamilies.org.nz

Barnardos

Barnardos has been working with New Zealand families since 1970, providing child and family services, early childhood education and care, and residential and foster care in more than 80 locations. Barnardos supports, challenges and empowers families, communities and society to make Aotearoa New Zealand the best place to be a child. In Canterbury, Barnardos offers early childhood education, a range of specialised programmes for children and parents, and in-home parenting and family support services.

www.barnardos.org.nz

Family Help Trust

Family Help Trust (FHT) was initiated in 1990 as a result of concern that young people in Child Youth and Family care were graduating from care into the prison system. Services based on research and evaluation have been developed to break the cycle of severe social deprivation of children born into high-risk environments.

FHT provides a home-based social work service working exclusively with families experiencing multiple difficulties who have children under five years old. The aim is to facilitate lasting change that enhances the children's safety, health and wellbeing.

www.familyhelptrust.org.nz

He Waka Tapu

He Waka Tapu (HWT) is a whanau focussed agency run by Maori, for Maori. HWT was established in 1996 and is dedicated to helping and supporting kaimahi and whanau whaiora reach their potential through the realisation of their dreams and aspirations. HWT works to increase the well-being of whanau whaiora by reducing violence and abusive behaviour and restoring tikanga that supports the promotion of healthy lifestyles for the individual, whanau, hapū and iwi.

www.hewakatapu.org.nz

New Zealand Red Cross

New Zealand Red Cross is part of the largest humanitarian organisation in the world. Red Cross is committed to the long-term recovery of all people living in greater Christchurch following the 2010/2011 earthquakes.

www.redcross.org.nz

Better Health-led primary partners

Better Health will lead the Integrated Family Health Centre partners. In addition to the Linwood Medical Centre, a general practice that has served the eastern Christchurch community for a number of years, the Centre will also host the following services:

- > pharmacy
- > physiotherapy
- > district nursing
- > midwifery care
- > mental health counselling
- > breastfeeding clinic
- > hand therapy
- > acupuncture
- > occupational therapy

Other specialist medical clinics will also share the space, with providers still to be confirmed.

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