

## <u>Fees Information</u> Non-Community Service Card Holders

Waihopai Health Services has reached agreement with the Southern Primary Healthcare Organisation (SPHO) -WellSouth- to provide standard consultations to those patients and their dependents who are enrolled with us and who have a current Community Services Card at a markedly reduced fixed fee.

The Government recognises that this will result in Non-Community Services Card Holders having to pay more for their consultations to enable this change in funding policy.

Waihopai Health Services believe we have been modest in our fee increase. The Government working group had suggested, in 2015, a fee increase of between \$6.00 and \$7.00 to non-CSC holders to be implemented to keep general practices financially neutral. We have increased our fee by \$3.00 in the first instance. We will continue to monitor the effect of these changes in Government funding.

Waihopai Health Services is committed to bringing you quality medical care by a team of competent caring professionals.

If you have concerns about the effect these fees have for you please contact, in the first instance, your local MPs. We are happy to support you in your engagement with your MPs.

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