

Nursing Advisory Group to Clinical Training Agency
Newsletter 3
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Welcome to the third newsletter for the Nursing Advisory Group to the Clinical Training Agency (CTA).

NETP Expansion Update

The first two DHBs have been approved by the Nursing Council of New Zealand (NCNZ) for the NETP Expansion Programme. They are MidCentral and Taranaki DHBs.

CTA has made funding available to NCNZ for the cost of the NETP Expansion programme Audits. This funding is only available until 30 June 2009. Please ensure that you make a booking for the approval audit prior to this date.

NCNZ First Year Audit of NETP

Some common feedback received across DHBs includes:

- Improved support for new graduates
- Formal structure of programme has led to shared expectations among staff.
- New graduate transition time now seen as legitimate learning time and a crucial step in workforce development.
- Formalising and valuing of the role of the preceptor.
- Improving the skills and knowledge for all nurses as they become involved in teaching new graduates.

CTA Audit of Postgraduate Nursing Funding

CTA has now carried out eight audits of the Postgraduate Funding and expects to complete all DHBs by the end of 2010. DHBs are required to respond to the action points within the timeframes and provide supporting documentation.

Leave from NETP Programme

Breaks in training from NETP must be approved by CTA on a case by case basis. This is to ensure that the trainees meet the requirements of the training programme. Please note that there is a requirement for a minimum of 0.8 FTE employment when returning to the NETP programme.

HWIP

CTA is funding the Health Workforce Information Programme (HWIP) to undertake a series of modelling and forecasting exercises on the nursing workforce in NZ to provide a robust basis for workforce planning. For more information please go to:
www.dhbnz.org.nz

Mental Health Nursing Funding

Te Pou is continuing to fund the New Graduate Mental Health Programme. New graduate nurses may enter this programme or NETP (funded by CTA) but not both in their first year of practise. For more information please go to: www.skillsmatter.co.nz

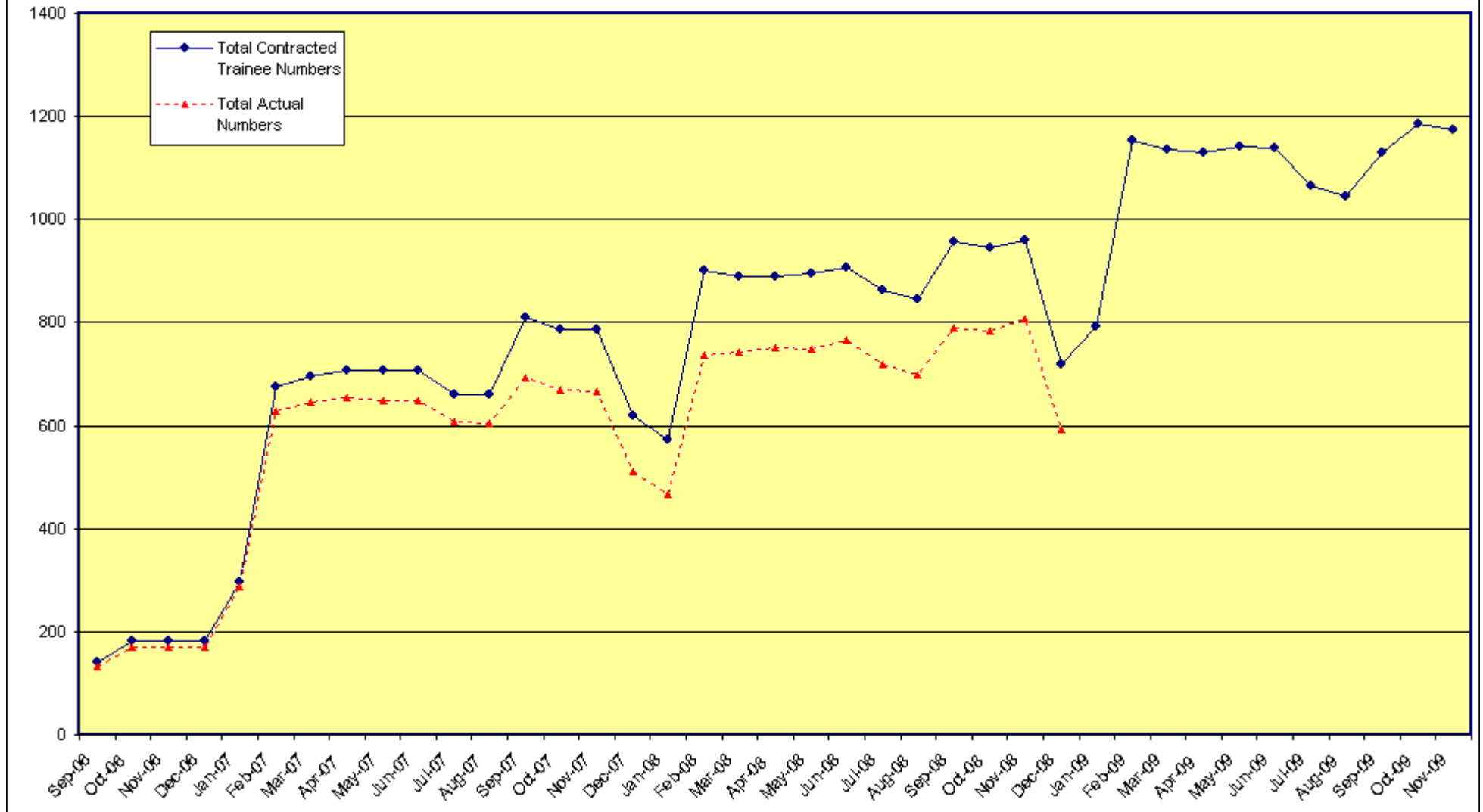
Postgraduate Nursing Review

CTA is reviewing the specification for Postgraduate Nursing. A revised draft specification will be out for consultation last week of March 2009.

NETP Volumes

Page 2 of this newsletter has a summary chart of NETP places contracted and actual since the beginning of the programme. The goal was to reach 800 by 2009 and 100 for NETP Expansion in 2009. Programme intakes commence during most months of the year and therefore overlap. 2009 places include NETP Expansion.

Total NETP Trainee Numbers from the Start of the Programme



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