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A G E N D A 10th June Home Birth Association

1. Selection of officers
   Treasurer - Michael Adams
   Secretary
   Chairperson
   other

2. Treasurer's Report (Michael)

3. Affiliation with NAPSAC and contact with other N.Z. home birth groups.

4. Dept. of Health's attitude to the registration of domiciliary midwives. Conference in Wellington recently discussed this and decision made to restrict registration as the matter is 'getting out of hand'. Also advised one midwife that that registration for post natals alone is not possible.

   Steps to be taken:

5. Home aid help. Waikato have an early discharge system and provide home help. Investigate this scheme. Pat Eldsdown, Supervising Sister, Campbell Johnson Unit, Waikato Hospital.

6. Survey on babies born at home. Mental helath foundation grant application. (Deryn.)

7. D.P. Benefit. Soc. Sec. Dept. have made an internal policy decision, not a regulation, to restrict D.P. benefits to husbands. No benefit for the first 7 days and not if holiday leave due or self employed. Investigate this. Test case?

8. Letter to Doctors. (Joan to report)

9. Newsletter. Editor required. Journalists? Need to keep in touch with subscribers and could be sent to other media. Logos, buttons, publicity. (Rachard)

10. Press releases on the formation of the Association. Articles for magasines, letters, radio, talkbacks etc.

11. Answer phones for midwives. (Michael to report)

12. Media reports. Rosemary - Herald and Listener
    Cecile - Star

13. Librarian, packages of material for committee when dealing with media, making statements etc. (Esther)

14. Midwives pay . Request for review. (Last but not least).