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Kia ora Lynne

Heartfelt thanks from all of us at Health New Zealand, Te Waipounamu

I recently heard about the incredibly generous donation from the Dunedin Rotary club to our team at the New Dunedin Hospital Outpatients | Whare Mātūtū building.

Please pass on my heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in raising more than $50,000 which is going to make a world of difference for our youngest patients receiving healthcare in the new outpatients.

As you've seen, the facility itself is wonderful and designed with children in mind, however all the extras we will now be able to provide thanks to the Rotary Club's donation are going to help make hospital visits less scary and lot more fun for kids, and their whānau.

I'm looking forward to seeing all the enhancements, new equipment, sensory and tech items along with the ride-on vehicles for kids to drive themselves through the corridors to surgery – what a way to arrive in theatre!

What your club has done will help create a calm and welcoming environment for children and caregivers and help our teams create positive memories of young people's early healthcare experiences.

On behalf of Rebecca Jewell, Bridget Dickson, Craig Ashton and all the children who will benefit from your fundraising, thank you for choosing Health New Zealand Southern as beneficiaries of your impressive donation.

Your efforts are very much appreciated.

Ngā mihi nui



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