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Dear John

The Rotorua Area Primary Health Services (RAPHS) clinical leaders group would like to express our thanks to Foot Mechanics for their contribution in the establishment of a community podiatry service for Rotorua diabetics.

We have been impressed by the evidence basis used by Foot Mechanics in their referral and treatment protocols and by the willingness to engage with local clinicians around the set up of this service.

The process and time delays of establishing this service for Rotorua patients has been one of frustration for practitioners over the last year and we have appreciated the work you have done to get this service running.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "PP J Williams", is written over the typed name "Dr Mike Williams".

**Dr Mike Williams**

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Dr Des Epp (Chair)  
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