

## **Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (NZ) Trust Board**

**CURRENT STATUS: 17-Jul-12**

**The following summary has been accepted by the Ministry of Health as being an accurate reflection of the Partial provisional audit conducted against the Health and Disability Services Standards – NZS8134.1:2008; NZS8134.2:2008 & NZS8134.3:2008 on the audit date(s) specified.**

### **GENERAL OVERVIEW**

Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart operates a 31 bedded rest home, called Marian Rest Home. On the day of the audit all beds were occupied. The facility is designed so that residents have easy access to different areas within the house and there are also several areas outside within the mature grounds for seating, walks and various outdoor activities. The buildings and grounds are well maintained and comply with legislation.

This catholic rest home is sited within the religious community of the Sisters of St Joseph on a cliff top site. It has peaceful surroundings overlooking the ocean. A daily mass is held at the onsite chapel. The staff include some sisters who work there and serves as aged care for those that require this later in life. A board of directors is elected and meet on a bi-monthly basis. The nurse manager reports directly to the board and attends board meetings. A registered nurse is employed four days a week and acts as the quality co-ordinator. The staff turnover is low and the staffing levels exceed minimum contract requirements.

Due to the increasing frailty of their current residents, the board wish to offer hospital level care in addition to rest home level care, so the residents do not have to move. The existing rooms are a mix of rest home sized rooms and those that are large enough to be used as hospital rooms. Nine of these larger rooms are to be used as either rest home or hospital level care beds, being the beds in one area closest to the nurse's station. This audit was undertaken to confirm readiness to provide hospital level care.