



ACHSM – Aotearoa

New Zealand's Branch of the Australasian College of Health Service Management

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At this time in 2020 the threat of COVID-19 was very much top of mind for all of us, and many people in the health sector and across Aotearoa have worked incredibly hard to ensure we have kept largely Covid free. No small achievement as we see the devastating impact that continues across the globe.

This year we will be thinking about the recent announcements to the Health and Disability System Review and the opportunities and impacts these changes will have. There is no doubt that as a nation we must address the significant inequities that currently exist.

This is my final President's Report as I have decided to step-down at the AGM. I have enjoyed my time as President, however it's time for a change and I'm sure ACHSM-Aotearoa will be in good hands. During my time as President we have focused on delivering greater value to our members, and it is great to see the number of members who join the monthly journal club and online events.

National Council

The National Council has met monthly and also met for a planning day in November where our focus has been on the priorities outlined in the strategic plan. The National Council currently has eight members with two members who are seeking re-election.

Strategic Plan

We developed a strategic plan in 2019 to guide us over the next few years. The main focus continues to be building the value we offer to members in New Zealand and promoting health management as a profession.

The key priorities are:

1. Recognised as the voice for health managers and leaders
2. Provide high value services to members
3. Advance the professionalisation of health management

Key Achievements

During the 2020/21 year we have:

1. Developed a monthly Journal club. A big thank you Cathy Cooney and the Midland/South Island group that has developed the journal club. There are great speakers and the sessions are well attended.

2. Initiated the mentoring programme in Aotearoa using the ACHSM approach. We have sought members to be both mentors and mentees during 2021.
3. Continued to offer a speaker programme via zoom

Constitution

Following the agreement to change the name from NZIHM to ACHSM-Aotearoa at the 2020 AGM legal advice was sought on the impact on the Constitution. We were advised that we needed to change the Constitution in order to change the name and this would be a good opportunity to align the Constitution with the Incorporated Societies Act.

A new Constitution was drafted to reflect the purpose of ACHSM-Aotearoa and this was reviewed by our legal advisor prior to being sent to all New Zealand members in late April.

The key changes are:

- a. Reference to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Maori representation
- b. Adopting the standard clauses that apply to all Incorporated Societies, the impact is some sections and clauses are now significantly shorter.
- c. Adding reference to ACHSM National office who provide services to ACHSM-Aotearoa such as holding the Register of members
- d. Addition of a process for responding to complaints
- e. Addition of clauses relating to conflicts of Interest
- f. Add the role of 'secretary' to the list of officers.
- g. Changing the quorum for AGM from 15 members to 15% of members
- h. Winding up. A three step process. Recommendation from National Council to wind-up, simple majority vote at AGM or Special General Meeting and 51% agreement from all members
- i. Requirement of President to be a Fellow of the College

Recommendation:

Agree to adopt the proposed Constitution	Yes / No
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Fellowship

Congratulations to new members and Fellows:

Cathy Cummings, alternative pathway

Veronique Gibbons and Janet Keys, 2020 examination

Dr Paul Muir, alternative pathway, also a RACMA Fellow

We appreciate the support and guidance Jagpal Benipal gives to Fellowship candidates. For the first time in many years New Zealand has no Fellowship candidates by examination in 2021.

Membership

As at March our membership is 72, two less than the same time last year.

Over the last few years our membership has declined overall with the main decrease between 2015 and 2019. Since 2019 our total membership has stayed the same with an increase in the number of Fellows. Of concern is the drop in Associate Fellows as this group are our future health leaders and managers.

Member Category	Mar-15	Mar-16	Mar-17	Mar-18	Mar-19	Mar-20	Mar-21
Student	2	2	2	1	0	0	1
Member	10	18	14	12	8	10	11
Associate Fellow	81	54	52	38	29	23	17
Fellow	11	18	18	25	32	34	36
Retiree Associate Fellow	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Retiree Fellow	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Retiree Member	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honorary Fellow	1	1	1	2	2	3	3
Life Member	0	1	2	3	3	4	4
TOTAL	106	97	89	81	74	74	72

Regional approach

The impact of Covid and a move to more online events seems to have been a positive move overall with more members being able to access the professional development opportunities that we provide.

National Councillors are taking the lead in their respective regions and are making contact with members so that what we offer is meeting the needs of members. The regional groups are:

Northern: Paula Murray, paula.murray@franklinhospital.co.nz | 021 607 507

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ACHSM

Dr Neale Fong leads the ACHSM as President. The main initiative for ACHSM is to implement certification for members.

During the year ACHSM have continued to provide us with back-office support and this has been a positive development. We have also closed the NZIHM website and information about ACHSM-Aotearoa is on the main ACHSM website. There are a great team at the ACHSM national office and this approach gives us the support we need across a range of functions.

Karen Orsborn, FCHSM

President
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