



*Whāia te iti kahurangi, ki te tuohu koe me he maunga teitei*  
*Pursue that which is precious, and do not be deterred by anything less than a high mountain*  
**MESSAGE TO ACHSM – AOTEAROA MEMBERS**

Summer 2023 -2024

**Kia ora ACHSM – Aotearoa members, Welcome to the Summer Newsletter and to 2024.**

This edition is focussed on three key items, and we are keen for as many members as possible to be involved for your own professional development and also as they provide an excellent opportunity to promote the value of the College to both current and aspiring health sector leaders.

**ACHSM One-Day Conference, Auckland, 15 March 2024, Hilton Hotel**

There is a great line up of speakers for the ACHSM conference which is being held in Aotearoa for the first time ever! The ACHSM Board have challenged our Aotearoa Branch with ensuring there at least 100 attendees from New Zealand - so we need the support of members to widely promote the Conference amongst your colleagues and networks and of course we hope that you will attend yourself.

Leadership and Change will be themes running through the day with keynote speakers and panel sessions on topics including Workforce, AI and Digital Futures, Healthy Finances, and Sustainability & Climate Change.

We will also be presenting 2 Silver Fern Awards, Fellowship Awards to Fellows who were unable to attend the College graduation ceremony, plus an Honorary Fellow Award to Director General of Health

Dr Diana Safarti, who will also give a keynote address.

Check out the Conference Link and go online to Register at: <https://www.achsm.org.au/nz2024> and remember - if this Conference is a success the ACHSM Board will look at supporting future Conferences here in NZ.



**Fellowship 2024**

We welcome expressions of interest from those considering doing Fellowship. We are very fortunate to have Dr Jagpal Benipal as our Fellowship Coordinator ably supported by Janet Keys.

Please contact either Jagpal or Janet and check out the Fellowship Link on the [Jagpal.Benipal@waikatodhb.health.nz](mailto:Jagpal.Benipal@waikatodhb.health.nz) [janetk@gracehospital.co.nz](mailto:janetk@gracehospital.co.nz) College website to find out more about Fellowship. <https://www.achsm.org.au/fellowship>

Also check out this Link of 2023 Aotearoa Branch Fellow Dr Jalal Mohammed speaking about his Fellowship experience and providing his 'Five Tips for Fellowship'. Thank you so much Jalal for taking the time to make this video for our members. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fv8dhk9jFGc>

**Certification Programme**

As you progress on the pathway to prepare for Fellowship study the Certification modules are very helpful - they have a focus on the competency framework and on building your breadth and range of skills and attributes important to leadership /management roles. Those who have completed the Certification process express how it assisted in building confidence in their role.

<https://www.achsm.org.au/certification1>

Best wishes for the Summer and for the coming year and thank you for supporting us with promoting the Conference and the College and the other programmes we have to offer – we would love to keep growing our Aotearoa membership and thus supporting those in health leadership roles across all the different settings.

**Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou**

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