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## Federation Chief Executive Officer Appointed

The Federation of Primary Health Aotearoa New Zealand (the Federation), whose purpose includes promoting, protecting and improving the sustainability and interests of the primary health sector, has today announced the appointment of its Chief Executive Officer.

Confirming the appointment, Hon. Steve Chadwick, Chair of the Federation Board said “On behalf of the Board, I am delighted to announce that Jim Lindsay has accepted the role as the Federation’s Chief Executive Officer. Jim’s expertise and working knowledge of New Zealand’s primary health sector is exactly what is needed to continue the early growth in credibility and impact of this new organisation on behalf of its rapidly increasing membership.”



Jim (pictured) has extensive experience within primary health including working with the Professional Conduct Committees of the New Zealand Medical Council and the Nursing Council.

Jim also Chairs a community based diabetes charity and an advisory panel for an inner city medical centre.

His previous roles have included management of membership engagement for the New Zealand Royal College of GPs.

Jim acknowledged the multi-professional strength of the Federation and is looking forward to working with the membership base and strong Board which is already in place. “I feel privileged to have been offered the opportunity to lead such a high profile and united organisation. An organisation which ultimately seeks to improve the health and well-being of all New Zealanders for generations to come. I am keen to get started on the challenging agenda and take forward the impressive early work of the Board members and the new Chair” he said.

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## **Note to editors:**

- **Jim Lindsay will commence in post at the start of February 2019.**
- **The current Federation member organisations are:**
  1. *Allied Health Aotearoa New Zealand*
  2. *Arthritis New Zealand*
  3. *Asthma and Respiratory Foundation New Zealand*
  4. *Auckland PHO*
  5. *Central PHO*
  6. *Christchurch PHO*
  7. *College of Nurses Aotearoa New Zealand*
  8. *Comprehensive Care*
  9. *Cosine Primary Care Network Trust*
  10. *Eastern Bay Primary Health Alliance*
  11. *East Health Trust (PHO)*
  12. *Family Planning New Zealand*
  13. *General Practice New Zealand*
  14. *Health Hawke's Bay (PHO)*
  15. *Heart Foundation*
  16. *Home and Community Health Association*
  17. *Kidney Health New Zealand*
  18. *Kimi Hauora Wairau (Marlborough PHO)*
  19. *Manaia Health PHO*
  20. *Nelson Bays Primary Health*
  21. *New Zealand Association of Optometrists*
  22. *New Zealand Breast Feeding Alliance*
  23. *New Zealand College of Midwives*
  24. *Pegasus Health*
  25. *Pharmaceutical Society of New Zealand*
  26. *Pharmacy Guild of New Zealand*
  27. *Primary Health Alliance*
  28. *ProCare*
  29. *Rotorua Area Primary Health Services*
  30. *Royal New Zealand Plunket Trust*
  31. *Rural Canterbury PHO*
  32. *St John*
  33. *Te Awakairangi Health Network*
  34. *Te Tai Tokerau PHO*
  35. *Total Healthcare PHO*
  36. *Tū Ora Compasss Health*
  37. *WellSouth Primary Health Network*
  38. *West Coast PHO*
  39. *Western Bay of Plenty PHO*
  40. *Whanganui Regional Health Network*
- **Further information will be available and updated shortly on the Federation's interim website at [www.fph.org.nz](http://www.fph.org.nz)**