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Federation membership growth continues

The Federation of Primary Health Aotearoa New Zealand (the Federation), whose purpose includes being the voice of primary health care for the health, well-being and benefit of all New Zealanders, has announced a further tranche of new member organisations.

Confirming the latest 13 members, Dame Annette King, Chair of the Establishment Board said “This latest group application through General Practice New Zealand is a significant vote of confidence in the work of the Federation’s Establishment Board and the membership offering they have developed.”



GPNZ Chair, Dr Jeff Lowe (far left) with Minister of Health, Hon. Dr David Clark; Dame Annette King and John Ayling at the launch of the Federation in September 2018.

The latest new members of the Federation bring the total number of member organisations up to 39 and include PHOs encompassing General Practice services to some 3.7 million enrolled New Zealanders.

Chair of GPNZ, Dr Jeff Lowe, emphasised his personal commitment to the long-held goal of sector unity “GPNZ’s aim has been to see the primary health sector united in its responsibilities to our communities. This latest move, which brings the voice of organised general practice into the Federation, alongside such important multi-professional sector partners, takes us a significant step nearer seeing that aim come to fruition. I am thrilled to be able to provide my own continued support to that journey.”

The Federation is now also receiving nominations from its membership for election to the organisation’s substantive Governance Board. The election process is expected to be completed, and the Board announced, during November 2018.

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Note to editors:

• ***The latest newly confirmed member organisations:***

1. Auckland PHO
2. Central PHO
3. Comprehensive Care
4. Cosine Primary Care Network Trust
5. Eastern Bay Primary Health Alliance
6. General Practice New Zealand
7. Kimi Hauora Wairau (Marlborough PHO)
8. Pegasus Health
9. ProCare
10. Rotorua Area Primary Health Services
11. Te Awakairangi Health Network
12. Tū Ora Compasss Health
13. Whanganui Regional Health Network

• ***Previously confirmed member organisations:***

1. Allied Health Aotearoa New Zealand
2. Arthritis New Zealand
3. Christchurch PHO
4. College of Nurses Aotearoa New Zealand
5. East Health Trust (PHO)
6. Family Planning New Zealand
7. Health Hawke's Bay (PHO)
8. Heart Foundation
9. Home and Community Health Association
10. Kidney Health New Zealand
11. Manaia Health PHO
12. Nelson Bays Primary Health
13. New Zealand Association of Optometrists
14. New Zealand Asthma and Respiratory Foundation
15. New Zealand Breast Feeding Alliance
16. New Zealand College of Midwives
17. Pharmaceutical Society of New Zealand
18. Pharmacy Guild of New Zealand
19. Primary Health Alliance
20. Rural Canterbury PHO
21. St John
22. Te Tai Tokerau PHO
23. Total Healthcare PHO
24. WellSouth Primary Health Network
25. West Coast PHO
26. Western Bay of Plenty PHO

- ***Further information will be available and updated shortly on the Federation's interim website at www.fph.org.nz***