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ENGAGEMENT

MEETINGS The Engagement Working Group had a full-team hui this month to organise the upcoming Clinical Leadership Forum. Half of the team also met in person whilst participating at the recent NZMSA Conference GROW.

CLINICAL LEADERSHIP FORUM The Clinical Leadership Forum is planned to occur on the 28 to 30 July 2023 in Ōtepoti. Please mark your calendars and keep a look out for the first-come first-served ticket release on 8 June at 8pm! The event kaupapa is '*clinicians caring for the climate*'. 30 UoA and 30 UoO students will be welcomed to Arai Te Uru Marae and the University of Otago Hunter Centre where the activities will include:

1. Volunteering to actively protect the local whenua;
2. Environmental policy navigation (with Professor Simon Hales and the leaders of Ora Taiao);
3. Media training workshop (with Andrew Patterson);
4. Emergency communication training (with Tori Prendergast);
5. Workshops on many other essential topics like psychiatry, karakia, and Pacific Health.

Tickets are \$100 for non-local students (UoA and UoO) cover the activities above, warm kai, transport, accommodation, and limited merchandise. Tickets are \$50 for local students (UoO Dunedin only) to cover the activities above, warm kai, and limited merchandise.

STUDENT RESEARCH FORUM The Student Research Forum is booked for the 9 September 2023 in Christchurch Clinical Campus and will have a social event the preceding evening. The next meeting with NZMSJ to organise workshops and a student presentation schedule is going to be on the evening of June 6.

MENTORING PROGRAMME Mentors and mentees have been sent out a 'check-in form' to encourage development of mentoring relationships and monitor engagement.

WORKFORCE

GUIDE TO GRADUATION There are no significant updates on this project. The working group will start working on the Guide to Employment following BTMSG. This edition will focus on contracts, indemnity insurance, medical registration, and unions. The following organisations have confirmed their input: SToNZ, RDA, Hauora Taiwhenua, MAS, and Findex. There is also interest from NZMII. We will be reaching out to NZMC, Medicus and Medicus to see if they would like to also be involved. If you have any suggestions for other organisations that you think would be good to collaborate with for this edition, please contact Olivia at vpworkforce@nzmsa.org.nz.

BEYOND THE MED SCHOOL GATES This event occurred this week from 30 May to 1 June 2023. A range of speakers presented, and the event was well received by students.

ADVOCACY

PGY1 PLACES Indira spoke with Dr Shane Reti (from the National Party) regarding this issue. Dr Reti has agreed that it is an area that needs work but identified it as an issue he would address dependant on the outcomes of the election.

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP The Advocacy Working Group has contacted the TEC and will be meeting with them in June.

NATIONAL SURVEY The National Survey was launched at the recent NZMSA GROW Conference.

MAHURU MĀORI Preparation is underway and skits for Mahuru Māori were videoed at the NZMSA GROW Conference.

OFFICER NOTICES

STAT NEWSLETTER Our communications officer Andrew has launched the STAT newsletter which will be circulated quarterly to all students with an NZMSA membership. The newsletter aims to improve the transparency of our organisation and update students on recent mahi achieved by the NZMSA working groups. The most recent edition focused on NZMSA's national advocacy and representation efforts, as well as upcoming events and goals. Keep an eye out for the next edition!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- NZMSA Steering Committee Meeting: 1 June 2023
- NZMSA Executive Meeting: 15 June 2023
- NZMSA Directors Meeting: 22 June 2023
- NZMSA Clinical Leadership Forum: 28 - 30 July 2023
- NZMSA Student Research Forum: 9 September 2023