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## ENGAGEMENT

**CLINICAL LEADERSHIP FORUM** The Clinical Leadership Forum 'Clinicians Caring for the Climate' on 28 to 30 July in Ōtepoti was an incredibly rewarding experience for all those who attended. For some members of the Engagement Working Group, it was the first time meeting the other group members in person! It was great to see connections being formed between University of Auckland and University of Otago attendees. Staying at Arai Te Uru Marae was a clear highlight based on feedback received, and attendees found completing volunteering mahi on the whenua highly satisfying. The Clinical Leadership Forum was delivered to 45 delegates: 26 from Tāmaki, eight from Wellington, two from Ōtautahi, and nine from Ōtepoti. Shortly the Engagement Working Group will reflect on CLF, and in August all attendees will be asked to complete feedback on the event.

**STUDENT RESEARCH FORUM** This event will be held on 8 to 9 September in Ōtautahi. Tickets were launched in July and just six University of Otago tickets remain for this event! Three workshops have now been confirmed:

- 1) how to present research from a previous 3min-thesis winner;
- 2) how to recognise kaupapa Māori methodology; and
- 3) how to get published.

The process for selecting 2 x \$1,000 award winners will be decided through consultation with a panel of academics.

**MENTORING PROGRAMME** This programme has continued to run throughout the year. Participants have been asked to provide feedback, which will be analysed in August by the Engagement Working Group.

**VAMPIRE CUP** The annual Vampire Cup will be held throughout October, with the University of Auckland or University of Otago winner announced on Halloween. The Auckland site has been booked for a blood drive, with sites from Ōtepoti, Wellington, Ōtautahi, and Hamilton in the process of being booked.

## WORKFORCE

**GUIDE TO GRADUATION** Guide to Workforce (G2G#2) is underway and due to be released at the same time as job offers in early September. In addition to the previously confirmed collaboration with STONZ, RDA, Hauora Taiwhenua, MAS, Findex, and Research Review, the Workforce Working Group can now confirm collaboration with NZMII, MCNZ and MPS. The group are hoping to confirm collaboration with Medicus soon. The Guide to Workforce is also being supported by Te Whatu Ora to ensure the union comparison table and explanation of both unions is comprehensive but neutral.

**WORKFORCE ADVOCACY** There are no new updates, but the Workforce Working Group are excited to support Indira's advocacy on PGY1 position numbers and are hopeful this could lead to positive changes for the Class of 2023.

## ADVOCACY

**PGY1 JOBS** Three media releases by The Spinoff, Re:News, and TVNZ+ have been released reporting on the PGY1 issue. A meeting has been organised with Andrew Slater, Chief of Peoples at Te Whatu Ora to further discuss the issue.

**NATIONAL SURVEY** Thank you to all those who completed this annual survey. It provides NZMSA valuable data on which to base our advocacy and mahi on. The Advocacy Working Group will now start analysing the data collected from the 2023 survey.

**MAHURU MĀORI** The Advocacy Working Group is setting up an online quiz for students to complete. By completing the quiz students will go into a draw to win prizes!

## OTHER INFORMATION

**CONFERENCE BID 2024** Bids for the 2024 NZMSA Conference are now open! NZMSA is looking for a passionate group of students to plan, construct, and run a conference. It is both a fantastic opportunity to build your progression and team skills whilst also being an amazing addition to your CV. The completed conference bid must be emailed to [secretary@nzmsa.org.nz](mailto:secretary@nzmsa.org.nz) by 5pm Sunday, September 3rd with the subject title: NZMSA 2024 Conference Bid. For more information about how to apply and what your bid should include:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1x0JeXU7oM6OjMavQp94dzcdZETefGtdO/edit?usp=sharing&oid=112376709035998946497&rtpof=true&sd=true>

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

- NZMSA Steering Committee Meeting: 3 August 2023
- NZMSA Executive Meeting: 17 August 2023
- NZMSA Directors Meeting: 24 August 2023
- Conference Bid Presentations: 7 September 2023
- Student Research Forum: 8-9 September 2023
- Director and Officer Application Presentations: 28 September 2023
- Vampire Cup: October 2023
- NZMSA AGM: 5 October 2023