



Dietitians Board

Te Mana Mātanga Mātai Kai

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Newsletter to Practitioners

Protecting the health and safety of the New Zealand Public
Promoting and enhancing the wellbeing of New Zealanders by ensuring dietitians
practise safely, competently and effectively

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Tēnā koutou & welcome to the June 2016 Newsletter – which includes updates on Board activity and information to assist you to practise safely, competently and effectively!

CHANGES TO THE BOARD

Since the last newsletter Sandy Clemett has taken on the position of Chair after Vicky Campbell stepped down. Vicky is now the Deputy Chair and has been reappointed to the Board for a further year which provides an opportunity to support and mentor new Board members and the new Chair.

The Board has had a reshuffle within its committees and you can find more information regarding the committees, the convener's, and their focus [HERE](#).

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

The Board is delighted to advise that Paula Baker (Hamilton) and Laila Cooper (Christchurch) have been formally appointed to the Dietitians Board for a three year term (June 2019).

Paula has been appointed as a lay member and Laila as a practitioner member - they both bring a broad range of skills and experience which will be of great value to the Board.

Paula Baker – Paula has significant governance experience and holds a number of directorships, including Hospice Waikato, Enrich+, Braemar Hospital Charitable Trust, and St Peters Swimming Academy. Paula is currently Plunket's National Advisor, Governance and is working with Plunket's 18 Area Boards to build governance capability to enable Plunket to build its strategic competence and commercial acumen. She has extensive experience in the health sector and brings an in depth knowledge of professional development and training within the health sector. Paula holds a strong personal belief in building the strength of the New Zealand health sector for the benefit of communities, appreciates the pressure on the health budget and understands that communities need to have confidence in health service delivery, and that practitioners are competent to carry out their profession.

Laila Cooper – Laila is a highly experienced Health Services Manager with project management skills and a clinical background in dietetics. Laila is currently the CEO of Christchurch PHO. Her previous roles have included other work in PHO's; health promotion; mental health service; food service management and as a dietetic tutor with University of Otago. She is passionate about achieving positive health outcomes and committed to quality results.

Stella Friedlander (practitioner member) has been reappointed until May 2019. Vicky Campbell (practitioner member) has been reappointed until June 2017. Bonnie Rogers (lay member) completed a 6 year term and was thanked and farewelled at the May Board meeting for her six years of service.

DIETITIAN PRESCRIBING

The next **Dietitians Prescriber Training Course** will be available soon. Prescriber training consists of an online course and a one day workshop. The workshop will be held on **Saturday 1st October 2016** at Auckland Medical School from 10am – 4pm. The cost will be \$250.

For more information, or to register for the course, please contact the Board administration@dietitiansboard.org.nz

The Annual Online MOODLE Prescriber Update is currently being updated and prescribers will be advised in due course that it is available. Remember, if you are a Dietitian Prescriber it is a requirement each year that you successfully complete this Online Update.

RSS FEED – What’s that?

RSS is a way for you to get information and updates from a web site. RSS stands for **Really Simple Syndication** and is referred to as a “feed” that you can subscribe to. By subscribing to the RSS Feed you can keep up with the news from the Board – take a look at the Boards website home page and click on this



NEW IT PLATFORM

You may recall the last newsletter advised the Board is developing a new IT platform this year which is on track for trialling in September with a launch soon after that!

The new platform will see some changes to the MyCCP format, it will link the website and the database, enable practitioners to update their contact details, and a smarter online renewal system will be developed that provides more efficiencies in the office.

If you would like to be a “Crash Test Dummy” to assist with the trial please contact the Registrar and flag your interest.

REGISTRATION COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS – RCR REVIEW

The Board are currently reviewing and updating the Registration Competency Requirements (RCR) with an expected draft going out by March 2017.

An Expert Work Group has recently been appointed and will be meeting soon to begin the next stage of the review following the initial practitioner survey.

It is likely some focus groups will be set up around the country at some stage and further consultation will be required so please take the opportunity to engage and provide input into the process whenever you can.

SCOPE OF PRACTICE – 2nd CONSULTATION

Last week the Board sent out a 2nd Consultation on the Scope of Practice following their initial consultation released earlier in the year.

The Board received twenty one submissions from stakeholders and individuals in response to the initial consultation and were grateful for the comments and

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suggestions received; as a result the Board has refined its thinking and subsequently developed two options they would like feedback on from practitioners.

The consultation period commenced on 17 June 2016 and submissions must be received by 5.00pm on 28 July 2016.

Please contact the Board if you have misplaced the email regarding this and we will resend to you.

NON PRACTISING - REGISTER MAINTENANCE

The Dietitians Board this year introduced a **Register Maintenance** fee (\$50) for **Non-Practising Dietitians** (this includes practitioners who are on maternity leave, overseas, taking a break from practice, retired) – until recently this status was referred to as **Registered-Inactive**.

If you are not currently holding an APC and working, then you should have completed the non-practising declaration and paid the maintenance fee to remain on the Register. If you haven't, or are unsure of your status on the Register then please contact the Board.

Who needs an APC?

If you are a Registered Dietitian (listed on the Register) you should hold an APC if:

- You are using your knowledge and skills as a Dietitian
- Your job description requires you to be a Registered Dietitian
- The position you are employed in requires that you are a health professional
- You use your dietetic knowledge in your employment
- You are calling yourself a Dietitian (or representing in any manner that you are authorised to practise dietetics)

Please refer to the Boards Scope of Practice and **RCR** to assist in your decision making.

You should hold an APC whether the work is paid or unpaid and fulltime or part time.

MyCCP AUDIT

This year the Board appointed two new auditors to the CCP Audit Team and completed CCP audits on 49 practitioners. Of the 49 CCP portfolios submitted, 41 met the audit requirements. The eight portfolios that were initially assessed as incomplete required further work or evidence for resubmission and all eight subsequently met the requirements.

Here is some advice from the Auditors to consider when planning and undertaking MyCCP, and collecting your evidence:

- Comply with SMART parameters when developing your goals
- Ensure you complete a written summary or reflection soon after the learning activity so it is fresh in your mind
- If you are called for audit:
 - ensure you have good quality evidence and link it to the activities and goals
 - don't include articles used as references

As mentioned previously the Board's new website will have a new platform for MyCCP which will assist practitioners in documenting their learning.

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As well as some formatting changes the Board will also be making some changes and refinements to the MyCCP requirements. This means that the MyCCP Manual that is found on the website will become obsolete. The new requirements will come into play from 1 April 2017. Practitioners will be provided with an overview of the changes towards the end of this year. In the meantime nothing has changed.

MĀORI TRANSLATION

The Board recently reviewed the Maori translation for the Dietitians Board and has updated it to reflect contemporary interpretation of the use of *tohunga* and the context in which it is applied.

The Board sought advice from the Department of Internal Affairs Translation Services and its own networks and agreed the name be changed to *Te Mana Mātanga Mātai Kai* – *Mātanga* is commonly used with these meanings: experienced person, expert, specialist, consultant, professional, practitioner, and analyst.

BOARD OFFICE RELOCATION

The Board moved to **Level 6, 22 Willeston Street, Wellington** in late February and now co-locates with Chiropractic Board, Midwifery Council, Nursing Council, Occupational Therapy Board, Optometrists and Dispensing Opticians Board, Osteopathic Council Podiatrists Board, Psychologists Board and the Psychotherapy Board.

The new offices and co-location provides back office shared services e.g. finance and shared facilities including reception area and meeting rooms. It also fosters a closer working relationship with other Regulatory Authorities.

Please note the new mailing address in this newsletter.



The Board has a number of key projects to undertake over the next 12 months and values practitioner engagement and feedback. Please do contact the Board with any questions or comments you might have. We will be in attendance at the Dietitians New Zealand National Meeting and look forward to seeing some of you there.

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Chairperson - Registrar

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