# **Enrolled nurses have a voice**

Enrolled nurses are organised in national and regional sections under the umbrella of the New Zealand Nurses Organisation (NZNO)

Regional sections operate around the country in all of the NZNO regions.

These sections provide professional development days and networking opportunities for Enrolled nurses.

## The Enrolled nurse section

Join the NZNO enrolled nurse section and experience support, resources and information about your important role in the health system.

The National Enrolled Nurse Section committee meets regularly to promote professional development, and to address issues facing enrolled nurses.

Each year a conference is held where enrolled nurses can share their views and debate the important issues for enrolled nurses and health care development in New Zealand.

Enrolled Nurses are a valuable resource in all areas of practice.

# **Enrolled Nursing** in New Zealand

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP
TO PROVIDE QUALITY
HEALTH CARE





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### **Enrolled nurses**

Enrolled nurses are skilled professionals, who work in partnership with other health professionals in our hospitals, clinics and other health care settings, providing a wide range of care for patients.

Enrolled nurses have a vital role in the New Zealand health system, bringing knowledge and skills that develop with experience. All Enrolled Nurses are enabled to contribute to the New Zealand health system.

Enrolled nurses are qualified nurses, who have undergone a theory and practical education programme and have passed a state qualifying examination.

Enrolled nurses work under the direction of, and in collaboration with Registered Nurses, Midwifes or other Registered Health Practitioners e. g Doctors, Physiotherapists and Occupational Therapists.

Enrolled nurses are regulated by the Nursing Council of New Zealand in accordance with the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act (2003), as well as other legislation.



#### **Enrolled nursing roles**

Enrolled nurses provide professional nursing care, maintaining and promoting health to patients, families and communities.

Together with other members of the health care team we assess, plan, implement and evaluate care.

Enrolled nurses participate in educating and advising patients, families, whanau and communities.

We provide physical, emotional, social and cultural safety for patients, family and whānau.

We make decisions as part of the health care team and bring our nursing knowledge, clinical skills and experience into their daily work.

Enrolled nurses often develop specific areas of expertise and expand and develop their practice with continuing education.

#### **Enrolled Nurses**

- » Are competent, qualified health professionals
- » Provide care and promote health
- » Are valuable to employers and adaptable, stable, loyal and hard working
- » Are accountable for their practice
- » Learn well through experience





#### **Areas of employment**

Enrolled nurses bring their knowledge and skills to deliver excellent nursing care every day. Enrolled Nurses work in a variety of healthcare settings which include:

- » Continuing care
- » Assessment, Treatment & Rehabilitation
- » Medical
- » Surgical
- » Palliative Care
- » Perioperative Care
- » Mental health inpatient, community
- » Obstetrics Maternity
- » District Nursing
- » Intellectually Disabled
- » Child Health
- » Primary Health Care
- » Nursing Administration & Management
- » Practice Nursing
- » Public Health
- » Occupational Health
- » Emergency and Trauma
- » Nursing Education Nursing Research
- » School Health
- » Addiction Services
- » Family planning/Sexual health
- » Intensive Care/Cardiac Care