



**Enrolled Nurse Section**  
NEW ZEALAND NURSES ORGANISATION

# Regional Section Reports October 2022

## **Tai Tokerau Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report**

**Date:** 19 October 2022

**Representatives Name & Title:** Melissa Peterson / Chairperson

**Regional Membership Number:** 31 as at October 2022

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 23 May 2022

**Last Meeting:** 11 October 2022

**Next Meeting:** 10 December 2022

### **Education in Region**

Northland Region is not planning on providing any education for this year. Enrolled Nurses in the region are updated regularly with EN Section Webinars and other sources for learning opportunities. We are planning on having a study day later next year.

### **Current Issues in Region**

Staffing in the Northland region remains an issue in many areas of nursing. Now that the borders are open many nurses are trying to make the most of this and travel, which means they are not available to attend meetings and help organise or be part of education days, etc. This is not a bad issue as all nurses deserve this time off and have been waiting for a long time to see whanau and friends again.

### **News**

Great News! We have a number of new Graduate Enrolled Nurses registered to the NZNO EN Section.

We also have a large number of new Graduate Enrolled Nurses that are practising not only in the DHB, but also community and primary Health Care. We just need to support them to register with the section.

We had our farewell dinner on Friday 14 October 2022 for Charmaine Parker (our previous Chair). Even though only a few Enrolled Nurses could attend, this was a lovely evening had by all that attended and was held at Suk Jai Thai restaurant.

We will be holding our next meeting prior to our annual Christmas Lunch get together. This year we are looking at having a theme and dress code will be to wear something Christmassy. We will be also opening up our invitation to all Enrolled Nurses past and present.

We look forward to finishing off this year on a high and with good spirits.

## **Greater Auckland Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report**

**Date:** 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022

**Representatives Name & Title:** Angela Thompson, Chairperson

**Regional Membership Number:** 87

**Last Meeting AGM:** 15<sup>th</sup> May

**Last Meeting:** 12<sup>th</sup> October

**Next Meeting:** November

### **Education in Region**

The Auckland Section is hosting our study day on the 7<sup>th</sup> November at Ko Awatea Lecture Theatre, Middlemore Hospital.

Topics on the programme include:

Substances and Abuse – Screening and ideas for intervention

Boundaries – more than rules: Ethical choices to protect our patients

Enrolled Nursing – The timeline journey

Brainstorming workshop – NCNZ review of EN SoP

Wound care management

Rehab head injuries

Infection prevention

Common respiratory conditions in children

### **Manukau Institute of Technology (MIT)**

Dorothy Browning (Auckland Section committee member) had a ZOOM meeting last week with MIT students re working as EN's in the surgical directorate.

### **Te Whatu Ora**

#### **Health New Zealand**

#### **Te Toka Tumai, Auckland**

#### **Hayden Erick**

Nurse Educator – Student placements and New Graduate Enrolled Nurse Coordinator, emailed to say that in September six enrolled nurses were recruited. Initially two had failed the state exam but passed when they resat the 2<sup>nd</sup> time around and have now started the ESIPP.

He said there has been a drop in numbers of enrolled nurses in the ACE talent pool and that they meet regularly with MIT to discuss this. He said they meet with new enrolled students and also provide a recruitment session to students in their final semester.

They have 50 students per intake but there is usually only 10 MIT students in ACE and some have already secured jobs with private hospitals.

EN student placements at Auckland City Hospital have increased and with jobs opening up in new clinical areas eg oncology, mental health, women's health, neurosurgery and soon child health.

### **Greenlane Clinical Centre**

RN's, EN's and HCAs are still being consistently pooled from our ward to cover dire staff shortages at Auckland Hospital and as you can imagine no one likes to be pooled and at times have felt unsafe in their practice, so it was decided that our pooled staff would TASK only.

### **North Shore Hospital**

EN vacancies are being advertised in the hospital and community.

### **Waitakere Hospital**

No update available

### **Counties Manukau Health**

ENSIPP continues at Counties with some of the initial generic study days run alongside RN new graduates.

Dorothy commented that it's good to see more EN's in the mix at Counties Manukau.

### **In Closing**

Have wonderfully productive meetings over the next couple of days and we look forward to an update on the review of our Scope of Practice, we will pass on any feed back from our workshop as soon as it is available.

Keep up your good work we appreciate everything you do.

Ngā mihi

## **Midlands Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report**

**Date:** 3.11.22

**Representatives Name & Title:** Sharon Becht, Chairperson

**Regional Membership Number:** 59

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 09.04.21

**Last Meeting:** 26.08.22

**Next Meeting:** 02.12.22

### **Education in Region**

Midlands EN Section study day cancelled due to inappropriate time to successfully plan.

Te Whatu Ora Health NZ Waikato held study day September 23<sup>rd</sup>, which was very well attended by both new and senior EN's. This will continue as an annual study day. Topics included EN scope of practice and contribution of Enrolled Nurses – presented by Robyn Hewlett via zoom. Jean Hammonds EN journey, which was very inspiring to all.

### **Current Issues in Region**

Pay equity continues to frustrate staff.

Te Whatu Ora Health NZ Waikato remains understaffed and under resourced. We continue to face the challenges post Covid.

New Zealand Resuscitation Council CORE adult and child courses at Te Whatu Ora Health NZ Waikato have been cancelled due to lack of instructors for remainder of the year.

### **News**

From May this year, there have been 15 EN graduates employed

They are in the following areas:

- Acute mental health
- Meade Clinical Centre (Clinics, across all specialties)
- Thames and Te Kuiti (both rural hospitals)
- NICU
- Surgical
- Endoscopy
- ED
- Theatre
- OPR + Rhoda Read (older person's rehabilitation)

Recruitment is under way for Feb 23 and hope to have approximately 16 EN graduates employed.

WINTEC EN graduation attended by myself and Susan Baucke. We gave out NZNO journals, Section information and a copy of the Enrolled Nurse Pledge.

Midlands EN section has had a small membership increase, with a lot of interest shown at the recent study day.

Opportunity taken to speak at EN study day with good response. X3 have joined the section. Section attempted unsuccessfully to have a meet and greet with new EN's, but responses were poor.

ENSIPP peer support monthly meetings to stop this month and to join with NET P programme 2023.

Sharon Becht, Chairperson  
Midlands Regional Enrolled Nurse Section NZNO

## Greater Wellington Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report

**Date:** 20/10/2022

**Representatives Name & Title:** Tina Giles Chairperson GWENS

**Regional Membership Number:** 61

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 09/07/2020

**Last Meeting:** 29/09/2022

**Next Meeting:** 19/11/2022

### Education in Region

We have still not had a study day this year, but things are on the horizon, we have now started to organise for our first study day in what will be three years when we hold it, we are looking to hold it February March 2023, we asked our members if they would still be interested in a study day bearing in mind how hard it is to get time off work at the moment due to staffing and illness. The feedback was great out of the 61 members we received 51 saying Yes to the study day. Planning is now well underway, and we are hoping that there will be a good attendance, as many enrolled nurses are requiring educational hours for their PDRP, due to the pandemic

### Current Issues in Region

Angela Crespino reported back to the committee after a meeting with The DON of Mid Central Health regarding the understanding of the Scope of practice for Enrolled Nurses, Angela's report informed us that The DON was not aware that certain practices regarding what an Enrolled Nurse can and can't do in that specific work area, they advised Angela that there would be some changes made regarding these issues.

We have seen a slight drop in members, we feel that unfortunately due to COVID and restriction we as a section have not been able to spend the time with the students and encourage them to join GWENS we are hoping that with students entering back into our workplaces on placement we can now start having conversations with the students and with our tertiary provider Whitireia and WelTec now that things seem to be getting back to some sort of normal.

The GWENS would like to acknowledge and thank Robyn Hewlett for all her hard work and dedication over the years in her role as Chairperson for the national committee, we would like to say a huge congratulations to Michelle in her new role as chairperson for the national committee and a huge thank you to the rest of the committee members who we know work so hard on our behalf.

GWENS are in the middle of planning our little trip down to Christchurch and look forward to catching up old friends and hopefully making new ones to.  
Stay safe and enjoy the summer

Nga mihi  
Tina Giles, Chairperson

## **Top of the South Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report**

**Date:** 18/10/2022

**Representatives Name & Title:** Tamara Gibbison (chairperson)

**Regional Membership Number:** 24

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 4/4/2022

**Last Meeting:** 4/4/2022

**Next Meeting:** February 2023

### **Education in Region**

Nil

### **Current Issues in Region**

Nil

### **News**

Hello to you all, it has been a while since TOTS has reported in. Unfortunately, as a section we have not been able to meet due to not enough number able to attend and as of recent weather events resulting in road closures. As a section we were hoping to meet next month, however, the main road between Blenheim and Nelson will be closed for 7 weeks for major road repairs from slips and road damage from our last weather event.

We hope to meet again next Year in hopes that we can get back on track and reconnect with one another.

Since our last report we have a new member join the section, which is exciting, however, we have also had a resignation.

The Section would like to Welcome our new chair Michelle Prattley to the table and the new committee. Thank you to the committee for your on-going work and the time you put in to Enrolled Nurses. We look forward to hearing what news you bring to us.

Until next time.

Cheers

Tamara Gibbison  
Chairperson

## **Canterbury Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report**

**Date:** 21 October 2022

**Representatives Name & Title:** Michelle Prattley (Chairperson)

**Regional Membership Number:** 156

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** May 2022

**Last Meeting:** September 2022

**Next Meeting:** 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022

### **Education in Region:**

Study days within work areas are starting to take place again but staffing situations has resulted in some being cancelled or some staff have been taken of the study day to work back on the ward.

Good feedback has been passed on from the recent Webinar put on by the EN Section.

### **Current Issues in Region:**

The same issues are still occurring regarding CCDM, Safe Staffing, Trendcare and staffing shortages. Hopefully with the warmer weather coming we will see less sickness about so hopefully staffing will improve.

### **News:**

The Canterbury Enrolled Nurse Section would like to congratulate Debbie Handisides for being nominated and accepted onto the bargaining team for this round of the MECCA negotiations. I'm sure Debbie will do an amazing job at supporting Enrolled Nurses through this process.

Planning is well under way for the 2023 conference (Enrolled Nurses Making a Difference), to be held at the Russley Golf Club on the 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023. More details will go out to the section early December.

We have had new grads start the ENSIPP programme back in September of which they have all seemed to have settled in well to their new rolls.

Lastly a big thankyou to the National Committee for their continued hard work and we look forward to hearing from them with updates on the Scope of Practice review.

As this is the last report for 2022, we would also like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and we look forward to seeing you all at conference.

Kind regards  
Michelle Prattley  
Chairperson  
Canterbury EN Section

## **Southern Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report**

**Date:** 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022

**Representatives Name & Title:** Robyn Hewlett, Chairperson

**Regional Membership Number:** 125

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:**

**Last Meeting:** 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022

**Next Meeting:** TBA

### **Education in Region:**

2022 Enrolled Nurse students commenced clinical placements in Dunedin Hospital, week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> October for 5 weeks.

SIT's Zero Fee Scheme is continuing for 2023

Otago Polytechnic Graduation is 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Southland Institute of Technology Award Ceremony is 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022 in Invercargill

### **Current Issues in Region**

Dementia D6 unit at Presbyterian Support Otago's Ross home is closing due to severe shortage of staff.

The Lindsay Unit is a D6 psychogeriatric unit that provides the highest possible level of dementia care. The unit at Ross Home has 24 beds and requires staff who can provide round-the-clock care.

Turn out for claim meetings for next and first Collective Agreement with Te Whatu Ora, Health NZ, very poor.

### **News**

Southern Region Enrolled Nurse Section Study Day Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022 in Dunedin. Registrations down considerably on previous years. This is our first study day since 2019. Presentations on: *Victim Support, SSKIN, Burnout vs Selfcare, Dr Siouxsie Wiles, Professional Safety, Beyond the Wire and Prevention and Early Detection of Delirium.*