The Enrolled Nurse Section NZNO are extremely proud to announce to our section members that Advanced Employment Choice (ACE) is commencing from June 2020.

New graduates applying for an Enrolled Nurse (EN) position in an Enrolled Nurse Support into Practice Programme (ENSIPP) programme across New Zealand must apply via the Advanced Choice of Employment (ACE) process. The documents below specify the business rules that apply to the ACE Enrolled Nurse Process, which launches in June 2020

BACKGROUND:
In 2014, the Enrolled Nurse Section NZNO national committee compiled a new enrolled nurse graduate document and titled it “Enrolled Nurse Supported into Practice Programme (ENSIPP).

The committee then began lobbying long and hard to the Ministry of Health, Directors of Nursing of our District Health Boards in New Zealand, with the full support of NZNO.

The Minister of Health, formed an Accord between the Ministry of Health (MOH), the DHBs’ and NZNO in 2018 and from this working group, the minister announced funding for a new graduate enrolled nurse programme.

The DHB Directors of Nursing then approved an Advanced Choice of Employment (ACE) and that process begins in June 2020.

Margareth Broodkoorn, Chief Nurse, Ministry of Health, met with the Enrolled Nurse Section NZNO national committee in November 2019 and informed the committee that the title of the newly funded enrolled nurse programme would be “Enrolled Nurse Supported into Practice Programme (ENSIPP).

All our lobbying has finally paid off. It has taken 6 years, but we are there.

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