



**Enrolled Nurse Section**  
NEW ZEALAND NURSES ORGANISATION

# Regional Section Reports August 2021

## **Northland/Taitokerau Enrolled Nurse Section Report**

**Date:** 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

**Representatives Name & Title:** Charmaine Parker – Chairperson & Co-Secretary

**Regional Membership Number:** 27

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 26/07/2021

**Last Meeting:** 26/07/2021

**Next Meeting:** 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021

### **Education in Region**

First cohort of Enrolled Nursing Students sat their final exams in mid July 2021, it has been reported that all the EN's should secure fulltime positions.  
Second Cohort will sit exams at the end of Oct 2021.

Taking, two Enrolled Nursing Student programmes each year.

Preceptor training encouraged to best guide new EN Students. Preceptor training has been completed for 3 x EN's at NorthTec, by Northland EN's.

### **Current Issues in Region**

A lot of respiratory sickness in Northland, impacting on Nurse Staff with sick leave, greater wider employee's being asked to cover extra shifts where possible to cover illness.

### **News**

Study Day will be held at the end of 2021, date to be confirmed.  
2022 National Conference to be held in Northland, details to be confirmed.

Congratulations to Melissa Peterson for being voted onto the National EN Committee, her experience in Primary Health and Mental Health credentialed will be valued at a National level.

### **Regional EN Awards**

Cheryl MacDonald – for contribution to the Northland Committee and Enrolled Nursing  
Bobbie Critchley – for contribution to the Northland Committee and Enrolled Nursing

### **Current Issues in Region**

Employment, no replacements of our EN's especially in medical, surgical wards.

A decrease in EN numbers in Northland, should start to reverse, with EN Students joining the workforce, our EN numbers, will start to increase.

EN job roles only advertised in Outpatients and Mental Health Inpatient Unit, over the last 6 months NDHB.

Thanks to the Southern Region, for a fantastic Conference, the conference and the hospitality and was outstanding. Northland had 4 Enrolled Nurses attending, Melissa Peterson, Charmaine Parker, Maree Tugaga and Debra Peters. Surgical Ward 3 and 4 at Whangarei, Hospital, had to cancel their Enrolled Nurses from attending a few weeks prior to the conference due to staff shortages. We will try to encourage all Northland Enrolled Nurses to attend the National Conference next year, Conference being held in Northland.

Thanks to Sharyne in NZNO Head Office for your continued admin support, along with Gill Coleman in Northland for producing some fantastic National EN Day Posters, much appreciated.

Thanks to our PNA Suzanne Rolls for all your continued support.

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

**Date:** 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021

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

**Regional Membership Number:** 102 (approx.)

**Last Meeting AGM:** 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021

**Last Meeting:** 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**Next Meeting:** 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021

### **Education in Region**

The Auckland Enrolled Nurse Section study day will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> October at Ko Awatea Lecture Theatre at Counties Manukau. Thankfully we managed to get around the large fee to use the venue by being put into contact with the right person. Planning is now well underway.

### **Waitamata DHB**

No reply was received after enquiring about the ENIPP placements at WDHB, however there are jobs advertised for enrolled nurses on the bureau at WDHB.

Mahalah Ensor, Auckland section secretary has been invited to present this week at the study day for enrolled nurses working in district nursing.

### **Counties Manukau DHB**

Currently there is nothing new to report.

### **Auckland DHB**

Totara Ward, where I work, was approached to provide learning experience for an enrolled nurse on the ENSIPP, who currently works in perioperative. She needed to meet some of her competencies by working in a ward environment. I was asked to be her preceptor and we are working back to back together for 6 weeks.

The ENSIPP enrolled nurse who has been employed on to Totara Ward is settling into her role and the support systems are in place to assist her with this transition, however there is a bit of resistance from the occasional registered nurse as they adapt to working with the new graduate enrolled nurse in a challenging work environment having only worked alongside more experienced enrolled nurses.

Hopefully we will soon see some policy changes for enrolled nurses at ADHB so that we can practice to the top of our scope.

Hayden Erick, the new Nurse Educator for Maori and Enrolled Nurse Student Development at ADHB, approached me to present at the ENSIPP study day on the 12<sup>th</sup> July. I took this opportunity to put a Power Point presentation together, sharing some of my personal background, promoting the enrolled nurse section and wrapping up with some powerful words of

wisdom. The presentation was well received and as new graduates they were encouraged that there is a clear pathway to growing the enrolled nurse role.

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

30 student enrolled nurses sat their State Final Exam in July and are currently awaiting their results.

Student enrolled nurses continue to voice that the process and timeline to apply for the ACE programme for enrolled nurses is an issue that needs to be addressed.

### **News**

Job opportunities for enrolled nurses continue to be advertised in the Auckland region.

Our committee has increased from 5 members at our AGM to 7 members, which is encouraging. Hopefully we can keep the momentum going.

### **IN CLOSING**

A big shout out to the Southern Enrolled Nurse Section for hosting an absolutely fabulous conference in the Deep South. Auckland section members attending had a great time of learning, mixing and mingling and dancing the night away. Thank you.

Our section would like to extend a warm welcome to Melissa and Jo joining the Enrolled Nurse Section NZNO National Committee.

We trust you will all have a productive couple of days together.

As always thank you to our PNA Suzanne Rolls for all your continued support.

## Midlands Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report

**Date:** 26.7.21

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

**Regional Membership Number:** Approx 62

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 09.04.21

**Last Meeting:** 09.04.21

### Education in Region

Planning for annual Midlands EN study day 23.11.21 information on NZNO/EN website  
Other education on hold secondary to the current DHB workload

### Current Issues In Region

Mental Health Unit for older persons have concerns as EN's expected to work as psych assistants depending on staffing levels. This is currently being addressed by staff concerned. Mothercraft (mothers and babies with feed/sleep issues, Oranga Tamariki, NICU transfers transitioning to home) currently closed to assist with the unit's vulnerable patients and to assist with workload in other areas. Staff relocated to paediatrics and NICU. EN's tasking only as working in unfamiliar areas.

Number of EN students undertaking Diploma of EN training to availability of jobs in Midlands region.

### News

Great to see EN positions available in the Midlands region, particularly in the Corrections facilities.

The second intake of enrolled nurses for 2021 have commenced their Diploma in Enrolled Nursing study.

There were about 50 students in the February intake and 30 students in the July intake

There are a number of newly qualified enrolled nurses now considering doing their BN training as future proofing job opportunities.

Thanks to PNA Suzanne and National Committee for on-going work.

New role as regional chairperson is challenging but by no means insurmountable.

Finally a big shout out to Leonie.....the best PA ever 😊

Sharon Becht  
Chairperson Midlands Enrolled Nurse Section

## Greater Wellington Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report

**Date:** 20/07/2021

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

**Regional Membership Number:** 66

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> July 2020

**Last Meeting:** 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**Next Meeting:** 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021

### Education in Region

We have still not had a study day this year, but things are on the horizon, we did however have a meet and greet night where we encouraged people to come for a catch up and to chat about where we are in our roles, we also talked a lot about our next study and what people would like to hear about, we still have a way to go before finalising this.

### Current Issues in Region

Our numbers were small for the committee but after the meet and greet, we have a few members willing to step into a couple of roles on the committee which will be great and we also have members who cannot commit to making all the meetings have shown a great interest for joining too, so all in all it looks like we are growing.

### News

No news yet regarding the students about to sit state finales, there remains a steady growth of Enrolled Nurses at CCDHB with some moving from places like Bupa into CCDHB working on the wards. There are a few aged care facilities in the Wellington area advertising for EN's which is also good to see.

The GWENS would like to acknowledge and thank Angela Crespin for all her hard work on the Bargaining Committee, we know she has put many many hours into this and after the results today 29/7/21 we know there are many more ahead, thank you again and Kia Kaha.

Kind Regards

Stay Safe and warm

Tina Giles  
GWENS Chairperson

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

**Date:** 29/07/2021

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

**Regional Membership Number:** 25

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 15/5/2021

**Last Meeting:** 15/02/2021

**Next Meeting:** 20/08/2021

### **Education in Region**

Nil at this stage advised.

### **Current Issues in Region**

To encourage more EN's to join the section

### **News:**

Hello to you all I hope all is going well for you all. I can say it has been an interesting time here in the Marlborough region of heavy rains, major flooding and road closures. Debbie who now lives in the Queen Charlotte sounds is currently blocked off on the Havelock side due to massive rock falls and severe damage to the roads. At present there is only one way in or out at present through to Picton however the road is only open for 1-hour periods twice a day for residents and essential workers. All other roads from here to Nelson are open again.

We had 6 members attended the conference in Dunedin and we all enjoyed it. 3 EN's from the Section Annie, Gail and Trish were nominated Enrolled Nurse Award for there long service and commitment to the section. We are looking forward to the next conference being hosted by Northland.

Nelson Marlborough health section members have now that the DHB have finalised the policy for Enrolled Nurses to administer non-Complex IV medications.

Section member Tam who works for Nurse Maude has advised that the Nelson office has employed a new grad Enrolled Nurse. Tam over saw and orientated her into the role and has been doing really well and taken to the role. Tam has told her about the section and benefit, however is not a part of NZNO, this has been encouraged.

Our next regional section meeting will be held in September. Keep warm and safe, looking forward to some warmer weather.

Kind Regards  
Tam Gibbison – Chairperson



## Canterbury Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report

**Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021

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

**Regional Membership Number:** 162

**Last Annual General Meeting Date:** 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021

**Last Meeting:** June 2021

**Next Meeting:** TBC

### Education in Region:

Canterbury Section study day preparation is well under way for the 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021. To be held at the Hornby Club, Registration closes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021. A variety of speakers have been arranged from SLT, MRI, IPC, IV Medication, Suicide Prevention and two patient journeys.

### Current Issues in Region:

Issues with staffing and trend care still seem to be a concern. Along with the Mecca and Pay Equity.

### News:

Welcome to Jo Gore to the Canterbury Section committee we all look forward to having you on board. Also a big welcome to Jo Gore and Melissa Paterson to the National Committee from us all. I'm sure you will bring lots of exciting new things to the table.

Ara Graduation happened at the end of June with a total of 29 students graduating and preparing to sit state exam in July, We wish them all the very best.

Conference 2022 we have 6 EN's going to be attending conference in Waitangi.

Lastly thankyou you to everyone for the continued support.

Michelle

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

<b>Date:</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> August 2021
<b>Representatives Name &amp; Title:</b>	Robyn Hewlett
<b>Regional Membership Number:</b>	136
<b>Last Annual General Meeting Date:</b>	TBC
<b>Last Meeting:</b>	May 2021
<b>Next Meeting:</b>	TBC

### **Education in Region:**

Otago Enrolled Nurse students sat state on July 20<sup>th</sup> 2021, results are expected on the 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

National Enrolled Nurse Day dinner was held on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at a restaurant in Mosgiel. 20 enrolled nurses attended. The Southern Committee arranged a quiz, with prizes, and pass the parcel, of which both were well received.

Robyn Hewlett, Chairperson, met with the enrolled nurse students at Southland Institute of Technology (SIT) on the 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in Invercargill. These students commenced in February 2021. An enthusiastic class of students.

### **Current Issues in Region**

Following on from Southern hosting the conference, we have had quite a few enrolled nurses join our committee. We welcome our new committee members. We are yet to have a meeting.

### **News**

We have an enrolled nurse from Invercargill, who has secured a position through a primary Health provider Nga kete Maturanga in their GP service. She commences on the 30<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

She has encouraged two of her Enrolled Nurse friends into the same path way and they have had a zoom meeting with the South Island coordinator Well South and Awarua Social and Health services - sounds all positive particularly when Well South haven't shown interest in Enrolled Nurses previously.

Dunedin has a few enrolled nurses who are working as provisional vaccinators at the vaccination centre in Dunedin. Most of the vaccinators are only provisional vaccinators.

The Southern Region thanks all the enrolled nurses who attended the 43<sup>rd</sup> Conference in Dunedin, May 2021 and helped make it a very successful conference.