



Chairpersons Report 2023

Malo e lelei, Kia Ora and Warm Pacific Greetings!

Welcome everyone to our 2023 Annual General Meeting - Pacific Nursing Section (PNS) of NZNO. It's that time of the year again and here's thanking you all for making time to attend our PNS AGM. It's been a challenging year, but your support, wisdom, commitment, patience, and skills have enabled us to get to where we are today. Malo 'aupito, and Bless you all.

A big Malo 'aupito to Pacific Perspectives Dr Debbie Ryan and Aniva Team for partnering with PNS to celebrate International Nurses Day 2023 as well as celebrating achievements of our Pacific nurses.

PNS has been able to have face to face meeting now that Covid situation has allowed us to do so, and we've stayed connected through our scheduled Zoom meetings. PNS Committee continues to work on growing our section and increasing membership and we are continuing to reach out to our various members out there. As mentioned previously, Membership of the section is open to any Pacific person who is a member of the NZNO and here's an invitation to all Pacific NZNO members to kindly join our section please. The membership registration form is available at the NZNO Website under the Pacific Nurses Section and once filled this can be forwarded to the NZNO office. There is no extra COST FOR THIS.

Highlights for PNS in 2022-23 have been:

1. Collaborating with Educational Institutions and NZ Nursing Council to support our Pacific nurses Registration Exam Resit.
2. Consulting with National Nursing Associations group to plan for South Pacific Nursing Forums.
3. Participating in Advisory groups discussions with various Nursing Educational Institutions.
4. Ongoing Consultation with NZ Nursing Council re: Registration Pathway for Pacific Trained Nurses
5. Ongoing Collaborations and Supporting the Aniva Pacific Nurse Leadership programme
6. Consulting and contributing to the ongoing discussion and planning of the Bachelor of Nursing Pacific Programme under Te Pukenga.

Achievements:

1. Securing sponsorship from PMA for 15 Pacific nurses to attend PMA Conference in Rarotonga.
2. Collaborating with MOH and Whitireia Polytech re: Bridging Programme for Pacific Trained Nurses
3. Having Pacific Nursing Section representation at various Advisory Groups and Boards.

Issues:

1. Registration of Pacific Trained Nurses in New Zealand
2. Absence of Pacific Nursing representation at the Health NZ Unit and Ministry of Health.
3. Recruitment and retention of PNS members

Most grateful to the ongoing support, work and commitments of the Executive Committee and members. Malo for generously donating your time whenever we have needed additional support and assistance.

I would like to thank Angela Clark – Professional Nursing Advisor for all your support, patience and understanding. Your thoughtfulness and commitments are greatly appreciated. Malo also to all our members, supporters, and families for their continued support.

Lastly, malo 'aupito Sharyne Gordon for your time and patience, much appreciated.

Tu'a 'ofa atu & God Bless

'Eseta Finau

Chair Pacific Nursing Section of NZNO