



# NZRDA

New Zealand Resident Doctors' Association

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### Meet Your National Executive

The National Executive is composed of your President, Vice President, Executive Secretary, Treasurer, and regional representatives. The National Executive is primarily charged with the responsibility of running the RDA between AGMs and acts upon input from members after being channelled through local representatives – your delegates. We've recently updated the [website](#) with more information about the National Executive, including short videos with each Executive member.

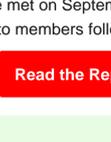
[Read more about your National Executive team](#)



DR COURTNEY BROWN

*Position: Vice President*

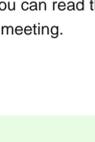
Hi Sara, my name is Courtney and I am your new vice president. I will be attending in Wellington, with a particular interest in medicine and medical



DR SARA MOEKE

*Position: President*

Hi Sara, my name is Sara and I currently work and train part time as a GP Registrar in the Wellington region, as well as a part time Paediatric Registrar in Wellington



DR TIM HOGGOOD

*Position: Executive Secretary/Treasurer*

Hi Sara, my name is Tim and I am currently a GP Registrar in the Wellington region and I have a particular interest in the Waikato region and sports tragic to the region's teams, for better or worse.

### National Executive Meeting

The NZRDA National Executive met on September 4-6. You can read the report that was sent out to members following their meeting.

[Read the Report](#)

### Dr Sara Moeke, NZRDA National President



[Visit Sarah's page on the website](#)

### Medical Workforce and CBA Update

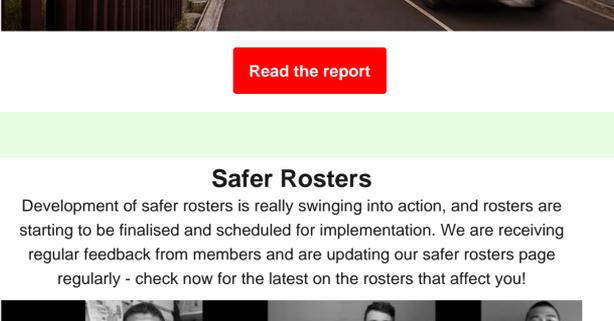
The NZRDA has attended a number of meetings recently on workforce issues.



[Read the report](#)

### Waikato DHB Accreditation Issues

It is now public knowledge that Waikato DHB has failed MCNZ accreditation for first-years. There are 12 actions they need to perform to regain accreditation.



[Read the report](#)

### Safer Rosters

Development of safer rosters is really swinging into action, and rosters are starting to be finalised and scheduled for implementation. We are receiving regular feedback from members and are updating our safer rosters page regularly - check now for the latest on the rosters that affect you!



[Safer Rosters Update](#)

### Moving into GP training in December?

**GPEP Bargaining:** NZRDA initiates for bargaining with the RNZCGP on the 9th of October. To make sure you remain in the loop, please send us an email at [ask@nzrda.org.nz](mailto:ask@nzrda.org.nz) if you are planning on starting employment with the RNZCGP.

**Indemnity Insurance:** If you are starting GP Training with the RNZCGP in December, you need to organise your own indemnity insurance once you finish employment with the DHB. Visit <https://nzmpi.co.nz/>. You are entitled to reimbursement for this indemnity cover (clause 10.1.1 of the RDA/RNZCGP employment agreement).

[Send us an email now!](#)

### Brochure for New Registrars

Developed by Dr Katherine Hulme with the assistance of the NZRDA Trust



There are a lot of things that you don't learn at medical school but that make a huge difference to your clinical practice. Starting work as a house surgeon is scary enough. And just when you're starting to feel like you got the hang of this medicine thing, you step up to being a registrar and it's all foreign again. Dr Katherine Hulme embarked upon a project to collect wisdom from current registrars to pass on to the next generation. With the help of the NZRDA Education Trust, she's published a brochure, with enough copies for each hospital to get a couple before the end of the year.

[Learn more about the NZRDA Trust](#)

### Cross Cover Outside Ordinary Hours

Undertaking cross cover outside ordinary hours is a breach of the MECA. The DHB should not ask an RMO to do this, and an RMO should not agree it. Contact the RDA as soon as possible if you are asked to provide cross cover outside ordinary hours or you become aware of a situation where cross cover outside ordinary hours has occurred or is about to be undertaken.

[Read the NZRDA FAQs on cross cover](#)

### EAP Survey Results

Thank you to all those who responded to our survey on the Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) services. Although most respondents did not know about the EAP service, those that have used it have found it helpful. Given the level of psychological stress that RMOs can experience, we hope to facilitate members with more ready access to and confidence in the EAP systems in the future.

*A full report on the survey will be available soon.*



### 2018 Delegate Training and AGM

If you're interested in attending the 2018 Delegate Training and Annual General Meeting (AGM), please contact us at [ask@nzrda.org.nz](mailto:ask@nzrda.org.nz).

### NZRDA Delegate Training 2018

2018 Delegate Training will be held on

WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH

THURSDAY 22 MARCH

FRIDAY 23 MARCH

The AGM will be held on Saturday 24 March



[Visit the NZRDA delegates page](#)



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