



Committee member (Clinical Academic)

Academic Tāhuhu

The Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners (the College) is welcoming applications for the role of Clinical Academic member – Academic Tāhuhu.

The Academic Tāhuhu forms part of the College's academic governance framework. The committee provides expert strategic advice to the College Board and Boards of Studies on the College's academic activities. Their work helps to enhance and maintain the College's aspiration for educational excellence.

Purpose

As a voting member of the Academic Tāhuhu you will contribute by:

- Utilising academic and educational expertise and experience to enhance leadership, judgement and scrutiny of strategic academic activities.
- Evaluating and peer reviewing strategic academic activities, carried out independently and separate from those charged with educational delivery.
- Assessing equivalency of relevant national and international medical training programmes to monitor trends.
- Proactively initiating suggestions to Management for the implementation of continuous and innovative improvements for their scoping and prioritisation.

The committee meets formally twice yearly, with additional ad-hoc meetings called if necessary. Time commitment would usually involve two hours for meeting attendance, plus pre reading, and document review. Meetings are generally held virtually.

Core functions

- Setting the academic direction and monitoring of progress in achieving this.
- Providing recommendations to the Board and Management of academic strategy.
- Providing advice on academic standards and integrity.
- Identifying academic risk to aid the College's legislative and MCNZ compliance and undertaking environmental scanning to identify external opportunities and threats that could influence future decisions.
- Setting of the regulatory framework for the VEAB programmes, advanced scopes and continuing professional development (CPD) programmes.
- Reviewing and recommending evolutionary changes to vocational graduate profiles.
- Considering status reports provided by the Boards of Studies.

Essential skills and experience

- Have been a Fellow of the Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners for a minimum of five years
- Advanced understanding of the issues that face Māori general practitioners and health providers
- Hold a current practising certificate from the Medical Council of New Zealand and be in professional good standing
- Experience in the delivery of quality national education programmes, eg leading or teaching in a university medical school/post graduate programme setting
- Experience in academic clinical research
- Expert relationship management including building and maintaining collaborative relationships
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills

Term of office

The term of the Clinical Academic member – Academic Tāhuhu will be for period of three years from the date of appointment.

Remuneration

Reimbursement for time directly spent on Academic Tāhuhu activities may be claimed at the College standard hourly meeting rate.

Benefits

- Being part of a supportive, highly functioning and collaborative team
- Flexibility of working arrangements
- The opportunity to ‘make a positive difference’ for the sector and your colleagues.

Our people are committed to creating a contemporary and sustainable organisation, improving health equity, leading the way in education excellence, and ensuring the sustainability of quality general practice.

Our commitment to equity and diversity

Ki te hunga e āta whakaaro ana ki te tuku i te pukapuka tono mō te tūranga nei.

He Kāreti tēnei e kaingākau ana ki te reo me ngā tikanga Māori.

Mehemea e manawanui ana koe ki te āwhina i te Kāreti ki te whakatutuki i te mana hauora taurite, tēnā koa tukua mai to tono.

We want our College team to reflect the diversity of Aotearoa New Zealand and the communities that our people serve and work in. We acknowledge the impacts of inequitable

health systems and care on Māori as tangata whenua, and on other groups, and are addressing these as part of our strategic direction.

Applicants with additional skills in te reo and tikanga Māori and experience in working in Māori contexts are welcomed.

Location

This role can be undertaken from any location in New Zealand.

How to apply

To apply, please send your CV and cover letter to andrea.singer@rnzcgp.org.nz

Applications close on **31 March 2025**.

If you have any questions about this role, please also contact Andrea Singer (andrea.singer@rnzcgp.org.nz).

