

Communiqué

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Photo: NetworkZ training simulation

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New senior project manager: Tony Mottershead

We are delighted to welcome Tony Mottershead to the team to support the Commission's trauma programme.

Tony comes to us from the Pinnacle Midlands Primary Care Network in the Midlands region. Prior to this he led a number of health system improvement activities in Canada. He led the development of a publicly facing health system performance monitoring dashboard for Alberta and has delivered healthcare collaboratives for primary care, and outpatient specialist, practice improvement teams to optimise business efficiency and improve access to care.

Tony is always up for a conversation about service improvement opportunities, or to chat about permaculture, or other weekend endeavours like mountain biking or surfing. He can be [contacted by email](#).



Trauma symposium

Register for the Trauma Symposium 2021.

View the programme and speaker info [here](#). The Commission's project looking at [Māori experiences of trauma](#) is one of many exciting presentations lined up.

Key dates

22 June	Collaborative learning session 1
30 June	Trauma Nurse and Data Managers
1 July	Trauma Symposium 2021
20 July	Paediatric Trauma Evening

[See more upcoming conferences and training](#)



Congratulations to our trauma QIF 2020/21 graduates!

Congratulations to the 11 participants who completed this year's Health Quality & Safety Commission [trauma quality improvement facilitator course](#). The graduation and celebration event was held online due to COVID-19 on 25 February 2021.

Despite the disruptions, all graduating participants successfully met the course learning requirements and achieved positive outcomes for their organisations in one of the three priority areas of major haemorrhage, trauma rehabilitation and severe traumatic brain injury.

Read the [full story here](#).

2020/21 trauma quality improvement facilitator course graduates:

Graduate name	Organisation
Renate Donovan	Capital & Coast DHB
Sonya Rider	MidCentral DHB
Amy Rosenfeld	Southern DHB
Claire Hitchcock	Nelson Marlborough DHB
Gina Marsden	Waikato DHB
Kat O'Leary	Waikato DHB
Laura Hopkins	Waikato DHB
Olivia Monos	Northland DHB
Sarah Shannon	Bay of Plenty DHB
Matt Sawyer	Starship Hospital
Melissa Evans	Canterbury DHB



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Rehab collaborative learning session one – March 2021

The importance of whānau and consumer-centred care was the focus of the first learning session for the major trauma rehab collaborative, recently held in Wellington.

Guest speakers and facilitators included Andy Philips, (chief allied health professions officer at Hawke's Bay DHB), Deon York (Commission's Partners in Care team) and Sharon Pihema (Commission's trauma programme).

The Commission's quality improvement advisors involved in the collaborative introduced teams to useful tools for their projects. These included HEAT (Health Equity Assessment Tool), aim statements and driver diagrams, measures, and guidance for assessing improvement and change.

The learning session was a positive start to the collaborative, and a second learning session is scheduled for June 2021.

Read the [full story here](#).

Trauma Networkz programme 2021/22

This year nine courses have been successfully held in different Emergency Departments, with over 300 clinicians from ambulance, ED and other specialities attending. The simulation environment allows issues such as processes, logistics, equipment and team communication to be identified and addressed. The feedback from participants is overwhelmingly positive and is resulting in tangible changes to be made. The courses will continue to be rolled out over the next 18 months.

Acknowledgements

We'd like to acknowledge the staff who have left the trauma service recently. Their contributions have been invaluable and we wish them the best for their next endeavour!

Cherry Campbell, Lakes DHB
Lynn Tucker, Auckland DHB
Camilla Howard, Waikato DHB

*Have a story to share, or a colleague to celebrate? **Contact us***



Photo: Rehab collab learning session