# Pacific Nursing Section - NZNO

# **Pacific Nursing Section**

# Word from the Chairperson

Kia Orana, Talofa lava, Ni Sa Bula Vinaka, Namaste, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Malo e lelei, Talofa ni, Kia Orana and Greetings to you all.



This Newsletter contains tributes, updates and reports of some of the Pacific Nursing Associations and some of the significant achievements that we can all be proud of and I thank you all most sincerely for your support.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Executive Committee and members who have worked hard, with commitment during the year and so generously donating your time whenever we have needed additional support and assistance. I would also like to acknowledge the ongoing support from Pasifika Medical Association (PMA) Board and CEO Debbie Sorensen for their

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continued support and allowing me to attend the NZNO Board meetings and activities over the years. Lastly, Malo áupito Margaret Cain, Professional Nurse Advisor for PNS for all your support, patience and understanding. Many thanks to all our members, friends and families, we have had an amazing year and look forward to building on that success as we move into 2019.

Malo 'aupito, Ofa atu

Eseta Finau Chair Pacific Nursing Section NZNO

#### Highlights and Achievements for PNS 2018:

- 1. Our current membership is 165 members. Keep on sharing the benefits of PNS with our colleagues to grow our numbers and support each other in our professional journeys.
- 2. Niue Nurses Association hosted 2018 International Nurses Day, Saturday 12 May at the Nga Tapuwae Community Hall in Mangere. Theme: Nurses are a voice to lead health is a human right. An annual event for us and each year a different ethnic specific organisation hosts this event. We continue to celebrate and acknowledge the many Pacific nurses who have contributed to nursing, NZNO and community activities over the years.
- 3. In June 2018 PNS celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> year of establishment as a Section under NZNO. Our objectives are: *Voice, Support, Advise, Develop and Participate.*
- 4. Pacific Nurses continue to achieve Post Graduate Qualifications from ANIVA and other Health Workforce Development Programmes.
- 5. Sonya Temata is now Vice Chair for Greater Auckland Regional Council.
- 6. Thanks to all Pacific Nursing Associations who supported the Pasifika Medical Association (PMA) Charity Ball & Fundraising at the Cordis Hotel 20 July 2018, to raise funds for multiple Health Scholarships.
- Good attendance by our Pacific Nurses at this year's NZNO Colleges & Sections Day, as well as AGM and Conference in Wellington. Another successful AGM & Conference held at the Te Papa Museum 18 – 20 September.
- Congratulations Vai Naseri and Siniva Cruickshank of Tausi Soifua Samoa Nurses Association, for receiving NZNO Awards for Services to Nursing and Midwifery at this year's NZNO Conference 19/9/2018.
- 9. Individual ethnic nursing groups continue to run their ethnic specific activities and recruit new Nurses Associations to join PNS in the future.

#### Challenges

- 1. Our Section continues to face issues of registration process for overseas registered nurses and the challenges of IELTS examinations.
- 2. Funding of Section activities is still an ongoing issue.
- **3.** Need to support the establishment of support networks for Pacific students within the Schools of Nursing around the country.

#### **Events Coming Up**

- X Pacific Vision Summit: Ministry of Pacific Peoples 13th November
- X Tongan Nurses Ball: 3<sup>rd</sup> November, Grand Millennium Hotel
- ✗ 19<sup>th</sup> South Pacific Nurses Forum: October 15<sup>th</sup> − 19<sup>th</sup> 2018, Rarotonga, Cook Islands, National Auditorium. Theme: '*Transforming Leadership Nurses as Change Agents for Non Communicable Diseases (NCD's) in the Pacific'.*
- Y PMA Conference: 14 15 November 2018 at Holiday Inn Mangere. The theme is: 'Participate, Reinvigorate and Innovate' <u>www.pacifichealth.org.nz</u>
- PNS Symposium & AGM: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November at MIT Pasifika Community Centre. Theme: 'Cultural Health Care is a Human Right'.
- ✗ Council of International Neonatal Nurses (COINN) 10<sup>th</sup> Conference: May 5<sup>th</sup> − 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 at the Sky City Convention Centre, Auckland, New Zealand. This prestigious international event is proudly hosted by the Neonatal Nurses College Aotearoa (NNCA) in collaboration with the New Zealand Nurses Organisation and the COINN. Over three-and-a-half-days, an exciting and thought provoking programme consisting of plenary and concurrent sessions and poster presentations will explore the theme 'Enriched Family Enhanced Care'.



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#### **CINAA Membership**

Membership is steadily growing especially amongst our student nursing body. With more than 60 nursing members across the country, most are based in the Auckland region with a large number of nursing students.

#### Communications

Regular communications with members is enabled through CINAA's emails and facebook pages including feedback from each PNS meeting and events held throughout the year.

#### **Key Events & Projects**

- 17 October 2017 former Secretary of Health for the Cook Islands Elizabeth Iro became the World Health Organisation's newly appointed Chief Nursing Officer.
- 15 November 2017 the amazing Metua Daniel-Atutolu received a SunPix Pacific Peoples Award. The Pacific Education Awards, are sponsored by AUT. Metua Daniel-Atutolu is a senior nurse and lecturer at MIT for the Bachelor of Nursing Pacific.
- Congratulations to a number of our nurses who received tertiary education awards: Tarani Lave (Masters), Apii Vavia-Nore (Postgraduate Certificate) and Metua Daniel-Atutolu (Masters). Many of our nurses: students, new grads and senior graduates joined in a Celebration of Excellence in Tertiary education dinner held at the Atiu Community Hall in Mangere 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018, hosted by *Kia Rangatira*. We celebrate the success of all the ANIVA graduates and pray for their continued professional development, and service to nursing and our communities.
- 12 May 2018 International Nurses Day Celebrations hosted by Niue Nurses Association at the Nga Tapuwae Community Hall Mangere. A wonderful afternoon celebrating Pacific nurses.
- 31 May nurses were in full support of planning and organising the CIHNA (Cook Islands Health Network Association's signature Turama conference. This year, titled *Indigenous Knowledge Culture and Health* the conference was strongly supported by the Cook Islands community with a strong interest in Traditional Healing alongside conventional health. The Honourable Aupito Sua William Sio opened the conference with a personal testimony of taking responsibility for his own health and successfully reducing his weight through sensible Pacific eating habits. What a great role model!
- July Nov 2018 Cook Islands collaboration of CINAA, CIHNA (Health Network Association), CIDANZ (Cook Islands Development Agency NZ) for Rheumatic Fever Awareness Raising campaign with Cook Islands communities, thanks to Alliance Health Plus Trust (the Pacific PHO) and the Ministry of Health. This will culminate in a grand finale of community performances on rheumatic fever with a total of 18 churches/communities 24<sup>th</sup> November

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2018. Practice runs are occurring now in preparation for the finale event, promotion of these are on Alliance Health Plus's (AH+) Mama's House Facebook page.

- A very successful Batons Up Fundraiser for SPNF (South Pacific Nurses Forum) was held Saturday evening 1 Sept raising over \$4,000 to support 9 Cook Islands nurses from NZ who will participate in this historic occasion in Rarotonga, Cook Islands with other Pacific Nursing Associations from NZ and the Pacific, in October 2018.
- Sonya Apa Temata received a Minister of Health Pacific Health Volunteer Award from David Clark, in Wellington at the Grand Hall, Parliament, during Volunteer week 18 June.
- Cook Islands nurses continue to support the annual health conference held in Rarotonga, then Aitutaki, 11 – 17 July this year, contributing to health workforce development in the Cook Islands, the Pacific and New Zealand. This 20<sup>th</sup> annual conference titled: *Celebrating Knowledge*, we proudly celebrated nomination of the new Secretary of Health, Dr Josephine Aumea Herman and the new Minister of Health, Mrs Rose Brown.
- Thank you to PNS for the opportunity for CINAA to be part of the nursing associations on the PNS table for the PMA Charity Fundraising Ball 20 July at the Cordis Hotel, supporting the creation of more scholarships for the Pacific health sector.
- Thanks to PNS for the opportunity to attend the NZNO Colleges & Sections Day, AGM & Conference at Te Papa Museum in Wellington 18 20 September 2018. Metua Bates & Vaifagaloa Naseri presented on the PNS.
- Cook Islands nurses once again look forward to supporting the annual Tongan Nurses Ball in October 2018 at the Rendezvous Grand Hotel.
- We look forward to participating in our annual PNS AGM & Symposium Friday 9 November 2018 to be held at the MIT PCC Tanoa Room.

#### Education

CIHNA is currently represented on the MIT Bachelor of Nursing Pacific (BNP) Programme Pacific Advisory Committee, with Metua Bates as a member and Metua Daniel-Atutolu CINAA President who is a senior lecturer at MIT. Cook Islands nurses, along with other Pacific nursing associations, continue to mentor and support Cook Islands undergraduate nursing students and new graduates.

Metua Bates also advocates for Pacific tertiary students on the UNITEC Fono Faufautua which is a standing committee of the UNITEC Council.

#### SOUTH PACIFIC NURSES FORUM

The 19<sup>th</sup> South Pacific Nurses Forum (SPNF) to be held 15 -19 October 2018 in Rarotonga Cook Islands has as its theme:

# *Transforming Leadership – Nurses as Change Agents for Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs) in the Pacific.*

SPNF in the Cook Islands will bring together evidence, experience and innovations highlighting nursing contribution to Universal Health Coverage and demonstrating how nurses are important to ensuring access and quality of health care for all. The theme of this year's meeting encourages nurses to take the lead and lead by example to be full partners with other health professionals in redesigning and advancing health care to address the challenge of NCDs. NCDs are the greatest challenge to Pacific

people in this 21<sup>st</sup> century. Nurses need to lead the way in the prevention and management of these conditions to improve the health and reduce the mortality and morbidity of Pacific people.

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#### Acknowledgements

CINAA are proud to celebrate excellence in Pacific nursing in New Zealand with leaders such as 'Eseta Finau and Violani 'Ilolahi Wills from the Tongan Nurses Association, Abel Smith from the Fiji Nurses Association, Vai Naseri and Ellaine Rasch of the Tausi Soifua Samoan Nurses of NZ Association, Sipaia Kupa from the Tokelau Nurses & Health Workers Association, and Anne Strickland of the Niue Nurses Association. Recognition at NZNO national conference with 'Eseta's Board representation and the continued visible advocacy for Pacific specific nursing issues is impressive, thank you 'Eseta! Cook Islands nurses wish to acknowledge all the PNS Committee for their commitment and dedication to continuing to progress our Section accountabilities and objectives so that Pacific nursing continues to thrive in Aotearoa New Zealand.

May God bless you all for your service to our chosen profession and our communities.

Kia manuia Metua Bates

#### New WHO chief nursing officer promises to advocate for nurses

The World Health Organisation's newly appointed chief nursing officer, who is from the Cook Islands, hopes to use her position to make nurses' voices heard at an international level.



Elizabeth Iro is the first Pacific woman to be appointed to the WHO's head office in Geneva.

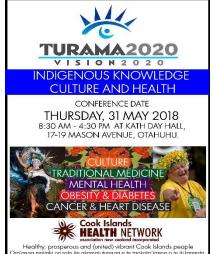
She has more than 30 years' experience in the public health sector in the Cook Islands and in the region Ms Iro said nursing bodies around the world can expect her to represent them and she said she was willing to convey their ideas and concerns to the WHO.

"I think just having somebody at the WHO headquarters and in a decision making position, getting the nursing voice heard at a WHO head

office and hoping that we can actually make things work a bit better or move seamlessly."

#### INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY 12 MAY HOSTED BY NIUE NURSES ASSOCATION





#### Pacific Health Volunteer Individual Awards Winner – Sonya Apa Temata



Minister of Health Dr David Clark with Sonya Apa Temata.

Pacific nurse Sonya Apa Temata has been doing exceptional work to improve health outcomes for Pacific patients and their families, both here and in the Pacific. As a volunteer she is able to call on her nursing background, which includes cardio-thoracic surgery, district nursing, sexual health and adult sexual assault services. As well as being a proactive member of a number of boards and advisory groups, she volunteers in our communities and universities to ensure a Pacific perspective is reflected in

the delivery of our health services. This year she has volunteered as part of the Friends of Fiji Foundation Cardiac Missionary team in Samoa and Fiji, and in the Cook Islands. She also gives a lot of her time to the LGQTBI Rainbow space for Takataapui, Pasifika Rainbow.

#### SUN PIX AWARD WINNER METUA DANIEL-ATUTOLU AND FAMILY





#### TE MARAE ORA CONFERENCE COOK ISLANDS (RAROTONGA & AITUTAKI July 2018









## **Niue Nurses Association New Zealand (Inc)**

#### 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Mitaki Tugi he Mafola Mitaki Tugi Fakafaahi Ua

Fakaalofa lahi atu and warm Pacific greetings. Fakaalofa lahi atu kia mutolu oti, kehe heigoa he Iki ha tautolu a Iesu Keriso.

#### "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it"

#### Acknowledgments

The Niue Nurses Association of New Zealand Incorporated (NNANZI) has continued with its strategic goals, vision and values. We have over 60 members across New Zealand and Australia, with an even larger following on our NNANZI closed Facebook page.

Our recent AGM held on the 11 August 2018 saw new executive committee members elected. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Judy Ikihele who served as NNANZI's president from May 2015 – August 2018 and to congratulate Aiva Kasimausi for being elected as the new NNANZI president. Thank you also to our outgoing executive committee members Angeline Hekau, Alice Falemaka and Nogi Taviliniu Eiao for your time and service with NNANZI.

Our newly elected 2018 committee members are:

President - Aiva Kasimausi Secretary - Richard Sihamau Treasurer - Judy Ikihele Vice Treasurer - Ane Strickland Executive Committee – Everitt Siakia Executive Committee – Sieni Lagaluga-Seve Executive Committee – Lorna Kumitau Executive Committee – Amio Ikihele

#### Education

Congratulations to the following Niue Nurses who graduated with a **Masters**: Nogi Taviliniu Eiao, **Postgraduate Diploma**: May Ikihele, Haliey Tongalea (Patutaue), Aiva Kasimausi, Theresa Lavakula and Judy Ikihele. **Postgraduate certificate**: Richard Sihamau and Grace Lino. Good luck also to Aiva Kasimausi completing her master's this year and to numerous other nurses who are undertaking undergraduate and postgraduate studies.



#### Community

On the 12 May 2018, NNANZI were privileged to host the Pacific International Nurses Day held at Nga



Tapuwae Community Hall. The theme: "Nurses A Voice to Lead - Health is a Human right". With over 100 Pacific nurses and other health workers in attendance, the evening allowed the fusion of different cultures, songs and dance in acknowledgment of all the work we do at the forefront as nurses not only for our families, but Pacific the wider also communities.

We continue to hold workshops for our NNANZI members and Niue community. The Pulefakamotu Niue Constitution celebrations every October provides an opportunity for our NNANZI members to undertake free health checks (blood pressure, blood sugar levels and health promotion) for our Niue community.

Our nurses are regularly featured on the Niue Ogo Motu radio programme on Tuesday evenings, discussing topics such as mental wellbeing, primary health care, immunisations and diabetes to name a few.

#### Niue

Three of our NNANZI nurses - Hailey

Patutaue, Anne Strickland, and Lorna Kumitau – have had the opportunity to work at the Niue Foou Hospital in Niue. This partnership with Niue helps strengthen the relationship between Niue and New Zealand based Niue nurses. This ongoing partnership with Niue Foou Hospital is a great opportunity for our New Zealand born Niue nurses to not only work in Niue, but to also learn about their culture, language and heritage.

#### The future

NNANZI will continue to work with the Niue community and other Pacific Nursing Associations in New Zealand. Thank you also NNANZI members for your work not only with our organisation, but for the work you do in your respective areas.

Kia fakamonuina mai he Atua he tau gahua mitaki he matakau ha NNANZI. Fakaue Lahi Oue Tulou, Judy Ikihele and Aiva Kasima





### Tausi Soifua Samoa NZ

#### Dear members

Talofa lava, malo le soifua. This brief report outlines the main activities the Tausi Soifua Samoa New Zealand (TSSNZ) members engaged in since the last newsletter. These include the 2017 symposium and AGM, the 100<sup>th</sup> Year's celebration of Nursing and Midwifery services in Samoa and members' special achievements. Also included is our tribute to a very special Samoan special nurse, Faamanatu Wilson and her sudden passing.

As representatives of the TSSNZ on the Pacific Nursing Section, we would like to acknowledge all the members for their hard work and commitment in keeping the TSSNZ association thrived. Despite the challenges, TSSNZ continue to engage and participate in activities that hopefully benefit its members and the Samoan community in Aotearoa New Zealand. A special thank you to the PNS and their support throughout the year.

We would love to hear about your work in your communities. So please we encourage all the TSSNZ members to let us know about your success stories as we would love to include these in our future newsletters.

Fa'afetai, ia manuia tele galuega.

Togiai Vaifagaloa Naseri and Ellaine Ete-Rasch TSSNZ reps on the PNS

#### **TSSNZ Annual General Meeting and Symposium**

The TSS annual general meeting and Symposium were held in October, 27th 2017 at the Holiday Inn

Hotel. Auckland,. The theme for the symposium was the 'Nafa o Tausiga' or Cultural Role of Caring. Due to the high interest in the 'Nafa 0 Tausiga' workshops held earlier in the year it was decided to continue on with the 'Nafa o Tausiga' for the finale for the year.

The Chief Advisor for Pacific Health at the Ministry of Health, Matafanua Hilda Fa'asalele



was the key speaker on the day. Hilda presented on the importance of Culture and Family. We also

acknowledge the presence of Eseta Finau, Chairman of the PNS and president of the Tongan nurses Association who joined us on the opening of our Symposium.

The symposium was attended by members from Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, Hastings and nursing students from Manukau Institute of Technology, Auckland.

The first day was committed to a workshop of 'Nafa o Tausiga' or Cultural Role of Caring, Samoan Nursing Philosophy, facilitated and delivered by Taiivao Siniva Cruickshank and Togiai Vaifagaloa Naseri. The key purpose of the workshops is to increase members' knowledge and understanding of the basic Samoan culture including the language, values, approaches and practices in their basic forms and their applications when caring for Samoan patient/client and families. The TSSNZ association's expectation is to contribute and support the development of the Pacific Health workforce through these workshops. We acknowledge the Ministry of Health and the Pacific Perspectives for the financial support.

#### The Centennial Celebration of 100 years of Nursing and Midwifery services in Samoa.

A delegation of fourteen members of the TSSNZ association attended the centennial celebration for the 100 years of Nursing & Midwifery services in Samoa on November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> 2017. The 2 days celebrations started with the Ava ceremony to welcome guests from New Zealand, Australia and American Samoa. The march parade took place the following morning attended by hundreds of nurses in the capital Apia, followed by fiafia and celebrations. It was a pleasure to have Eseta Finau representing the Pacific Medical Association, the Tongan Nurses association and the Pacific Nursing Section in this special event.



The highlight of the day was the presentation of awards to honour the senior, retired nurses who have contributed to the success of the nursing profession in Samoa. Most of these nurses are in their 80s and 90s years of age, but despite their ill health were able to attend with the assistance of their children and/or grandchildren to humbly and proudly receive their well-earned awards. It was a proud moment for families.

The historical journey and the development of the Nursing and Midwifery services were presented at the evening cocktail. Celebrations continued on day 2 which concluded with the Celebration Ball held at the National University of Samoa building. The centennial celebration was a wonderful opportunity to reunite with former classmates, mentors/tutors to share the many beautiful, fun memories and reminiscing about the good old days, somehow has turned into a life time career for many.

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#### Members Achievements.

#### NZNO National Award for Nursing & Midwifery



Double celebrations for Togia'i Vaifagaloa Naseri and Taiivao Siniva Cruickshank Vaifagaloa, the first Samoan nurses to have been awarded and recognised for their nursing services in New Zealand at the NZNO Conference, September 2018. Malo galulue and congratulations to you both, a well-deserved recognition.

#### Postgraduate Diploma in Specialty Care in Pacific Health and Nursing

Congratulations to Foloi Asiata Lafaiali'i who graduated with a postgraduate diploma in Specialty Care in Pacific Health and Nursing in March 2018 at Whitireia Polytechnic. She was also one of the recipients of the Aniva Leadership Awards celebration held at the Holiday Inn, December 2017. The dinner was well attended by special guests including families and friends. Foloi works in the Pacific Health team at Counties Manukau DHB. A big congratulation also to all the graduates of the Aniva program.



#### Tributes to a special Samoan Nurse Leader, Taulapapa Faamanatu Wilson

There is a season (a time appointed) for everything and a time for every delight and event or purpose under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die. A time to weep and a time to mourn. Ecclesiastes 3: 1, 2, & 4.

# Sa'afi'afiaga mo Taulapapa Fesola'i Fa'amanatu Nielsen

# "Ua tofa i le aliti le Tuna moe vai"

Taulapapa Fesola'i Fa'amanatu Nielsen, sau ia, Ua malie taliga i fa'alogo, a'o mata fo'i, se ua malie le va'ai. O le tautua sa e feagai ai, ole Sosaiete lava a Tausi Soifua, sa tapu'eina ai. E ui lava ua e tali le vala'au mai a lou matai, ae o lo'o femolia'i pea e le matagi, le nanamu o lou lolo lea o lo'o matou u'u tapatapa ai.

Talofa e, "ua tofa i aliti le Tuna moe vai" Ua sou ai nei le fa'atafetafega a Tausala, sa to'amalie e aunoa ma ni peaulaga, Ona o nafa fa'a-Tausi Soifua, ae o se Tautai Matapalapala.

Talofa e, "ua tofa i aliti le Tuna moe vai" Lau taulaga osi ma le Atua, o le Sosaiete Tausi Soifua. Fa'afetai mo galuega lelei Taulapapa Fesola'i Fa'amanatu Nielsen.

Sa'afi'afiga, Fa'amaisega ma Alofa'aga mai ile Peresetene Aoao, Sosaiete o Tausi Soifua Samoa i Niu Sila, Seiuli Faleula Fatialofa mo le mamalu o sui uma o le Sosaiete.

Soifua, la manuia lau Malaga.

A month following the celebrations of the 100<sup>th</sup> years of the Nursing and Midwifery Services in Samoa, Samoan nurses mourned the sudden passing of their leader, Taulapapa Faamanatu Wilson after battling with ill health for some time. Fa'amanatu Wilson was the first president of the Tausi Soifua Samoa Association in Samoa. She passed away at age 84 while still holding the presidential role of the association.

A local newspaper wrote, "The nation was in mourning yesterday as they bid their final farewell to a woman widely known as the "Florence Nightingale" of nursing in Samoa.

The TSSNZ President, Ula Fatialofa and members have paid tribute to Faamanatu in the poem written in the Samoa language reflecting her life as a courageous nurse who has done great work for her profession and her country. Rest in Peace our dearest Fa'amanatu.





## September 2018











#### **Tongan Nurses Association**

#### Malo e lelei! Kia Ora and Greetings Everyone.

As we all draw to the end of 2017, and we can all begin to reflect on the year; no doubt each will have our own story to tell of what was good and what was challenging for us and our TNA throughout 2017.

TNA continues to maintain its numbers at 200. It has continued to respond to our overseas registered nurses seeking information on registration in New Zealand. We hope to continue engaging with our members and plan some visits to smaller centres of NZ for recruitment purposes. TNA communicates to its members through their nominated key contacts at various centres through emails, meetings, phone calls and visits.

#### TNA Activities:

TNA continues to encourage and participate in health education and wellness program for our Pacific nursing communities, their families, associates and friends.

To do this, TNA has conducted the followings:

- Continues to hold its monthly meeting.
- Attended Tongan Women's Council meeting and provided health talks on Whanau Ora and activities that would benefit our Tongan families.
- TNA members in Wellington and Christchurch continue to support families provide health talks when requested.
- Some of our TNA members attend the International Qualified Nursing Conference in Auckland. Malo to all that attended.
- Approximately 10 TNA members attended the 4<sup>th</sup> International Tongan Nurses Conference in Tonga. This was hosted by TNA of USA and co-hosting with TNA of Tonga. The 5<sup>th</sup> Tongan Nurses Conference will be held in Tonga 2019 and hosted by TNA of NZ
- TNA held it's AGM September 2017.
- Members of TNA also attended the NZNO Annual Conference/AGM, Wellington.
- TNA members attended and participated in PMA's Conference Noumea September 2017
- Another successful Annual Ball, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2017. Thank you FNA, Tausi Soifua, CINA Associations, Mele Vea from Melbourne Nurses Group for attending and your support. Much Appreciated. We extend that invitations to next year's Ball too, guaranteed an awesome evening.

#### **Networking**

TNA NZ continues to maintain good relationships with other nursing Associations. TNA NZ has also worked closely with the Pacific Section of the MOH and we hope to continue to improve our networking and relationship with the MOH in the future. Other agencies we have continued to work closely with include the Pacific Nurses Section of NZNO, The Aniva Fellowship Group, Pasifika Medical

Association, Pacific Midwifery Association, Auckland University of Technology (Nursing Faculty) and Manukau Institute of Technology and Whitireia Polytechnic.

#### Summary/Conclusion

TNA appreciate the continued support from PMA, Malo áupito Debbie Sorensen and Board Members for your support and we're encouraged to strive further knowing that we've partially fulfilled some of our planned activities and work towards fulfilling the rest of our activities in the future.

Going forward into 2018, TNA looks forward to building even stronger working relationship with nursing Associations so that we remain a formidable and credible Association on the local and international stage both in the public and private sectors.

Malo 'aupito to Exec Committee and rest of TNA for your support and we wish you all a safe Christmas and a pleasant New Year.

'Ofa atu

Eseta Finau President TNA NZ







#### PNS Committee Members Contacts

Eseta Finau - Chairperson Tongan Nurses Association rep Abel Smith - Treasurer Fijian Nurses Association rep Metua Bates - Secretary Co-opted member/Cook Islands Nurses rep Violani Wills Tongan Nurses Association rep Vaifagaloa Naseri Tausi Soifua Samoa NZ rep Ellaine Ete-Rasch Tausi Soifua Samoa NZ rep Anne Strickland Niue Nurses Association rep Sonya Temata Cook Islands Nurses Association rep Sipaia Kupa Tokelau Nurses Association rep Margaret Cain Professional Nursing Advisor - NZNO

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Date	Event	Location	
9 Feb	NZNO PNS Committee meeting 9am – 3pm	NZNO Office 11 Blake Street Ponsonby	
12 April	Greater Auckland Regional Convention	ASB Showgrounds Greenlane	
12 May	NZNO PNS Committee 10am – 2pm Planning for AGM/Symposium International Nurses Day Hosted by Niue Nurses Association (NNA) 2 – 6pm	Nga Tapuwae Community Hall Bader Drive Mangere	
17 August	NZNO PNS Committee	Postponed	
18, 19, 20 September	NZNO Conference 18 <sup>th</sup> Colleges and Sections Day 19 <sup>th</sup> AGM 20 <sup>th</sup> Conference	Te Papa, Wellington	
15 – 19 October	19 <sup>th</sup> South Pacific Nurses Forum (SPNF)	National Auditorium Rarotonga, Cook Islands	
3 November	Annual Tongan Nurses Ball Formal Wear: Theme - <i>Masquerade</i>	Grand Millennium Hotel 71 Mayoral Drive Auckland	
9 November	AGM & Symposium "Cultural Health Care is a Human Right"	MIT Pasifika Community Center Tanoa Room Gate 13 Alexander Cres Otara	
13, 14 November	PMA conference <i>"Participate, Innovate &amp; Reinvigorate"</i>	Holiday Inn Ascot Avenue, Mangere New Zealand	
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15 Feb	NZNO PNS Committee meeting 9am – 3pm	NZNO Office 11 Blake Street Ponsonby	

# **2018 PNS CALENDAR OF EVENTS**