

2024 NURSING RESEARCH FORUM KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Dr Debra Gerrard

Dr Gerrard has a clinical background in Mental Health nursing. Her doctoral focus was on the experience of young Māori who enter mental health with substance misuse and abuse using kuapapa Māori methodologies.

As a recent recipient of a Health Delivery Research Activation Grant, this work will explore piloting the (Dynamics of Whanaungatanga) DoW model of care at Health New Zealand Counties Manukau.

Dr Sue Adams

Sue is the co-leader of the Nurse Practitioner (NP) and Enrolled Nurse (EN) workforce programme, and Editor-in-Chief of Nursing Praxis in Aotearoa, New Zealand.

She completed her doctoral research which explored the experiences of nurses on their journey to becoming nurse practitioners, and to delivering nurse practitioner services in rural communities restricted by the structure and organisation of health services, including general practice.



Post doctoral research focused on

- the development and establishment of the NP workforce;
- transition from NP trainee into NP practice;
- roles of NPs across the sector;
- organisational structure, climate,
- funding models in primary health care utilising the NP role; and
- NP services to improve access and equity.

Sue is also a recent recipient of the Emerging Researchers HRC grant which will explore Nurse practitioners: Re-prioritising primary care delivery to promote equity.

Katrina Fyers

I currently work as a Senior Academic Staff Member at Te Pūkenga Wintec in Hamilton teaching in the postgraduate programme. My nursing background has included working in the community in North Waikato, and my research interests have focused on nursing work in

- primary care,
- epistemological development and cultural safety,
- evaluation research, and
- most recently critical inquiry.

