



Chairperson's Report – 2024 AGM.

It is my privilege to present the Chairperson's Report for the 2024 Annual General Meeting. Welcome everyone, do hope you're all well and fighting fit. This report not only highlights the past year's achievements but also outlines our future visions aimed at enhancing and connecting the interests of our Pacific nurses in New Zealand and the wider diaspora.

Governance and Stability:

The past year saw no changes to our PNS group's rule nor to our committee members.

We would like to acknowledge the Exec Committee members who provided stability for way forward for PNS.

Milestones and Key Achievements:

- Ongoing Consultation with NZ Nursing Council Re: Registration Pathway for Pacific Trained Nurses.
- Ongoing Collaborations and Supporting the Aniva Pacific Nurse Leadership programme
- Participated in the 21st SPNF Conference planning - Papua New Guinea host country.
- We expanded the reach of the PNS both in New Zealand and in the diaspora.
- We continue to hold our scheduled meetings either face to face or by Zoom
- We strengthened internal relationships among our members and fostered appreciation
- with external stakeholders.
- We continue to work on growing our group and increasing memberships.

Acknowledgements:

- We are grateful to our members who participated in the NZNO Conference and AGM last year.
- We recognize the enabling role of NZNO, your trust and assistance have been invaluable.
- We extend our heartfelt thanks to Pasifika Medical Association, the Tongan Teachers' Association, Tongan Women Council of Aotearoa, MIT and other Nursing Institutions for their continued support.
- To all PNS Nursing Associations branch members. Your support has been crucial.
- To the PNS families: your continual assistance and encouragement has been the driving force behind our success.
- To our operations team: Your efforts are recognized and greatly appreciated.

Looking ahead:

In 2025, we anticipate:

- Plans and discussions for a Pasifika Nurses Conference in the future.

- The next PNS Symposium 2025, with details to be confirmed.
 - The ongoing meeting and participation of PNS members.
 - Strengthen our relationship with our various Nursing Groups in NZ.
 - Building on the connections established this past year and assessing potential projects for 2025.
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- Absence of Pacific Nursing representation at the Health NZ Unit and Ministry of Health.
 - Recruitment and retention of PNS members

Conclusion

The Tongan saying “ko e koloa ‘a Tonga ko e fakamālō” resonates profoundly at this moment. I extend my sincerest thanks to each of you for your contributions and support. May the love, peace, and joy we have shared this past year continue to enrich our lives in the year to come.

Warm Regards

Eseta Finau – Chairperson PNS of NZNO