

Kirsten Davie – Biography for PNZ President 2023

There has never been a more crucial time for our profession with the pressure on the current health system and the lack of equity of access. I have worked tirelessly advocating for physiotherapy and our patients over many years and will continue to do so as your President.

Physiotherapy must strategically position itself so that we are visible and have clearly articulated key messages. We need to collaborate across both the private and public health sectors to gain traction on the issues facing our profession.

I have excellent insight into PNZ having been on the Executive from 1997-2006 and served as president for four years of that term. I have considerable knowledge on the funding of physiotherapy, having represented the profession on the 2007 Ministerial Review, alongside Jon Warren, who is running for national executive in this election. I own a multidisciplinary practice, work under a number of ACC contracts, and understand their cumbersome nature and the issues faced.

I align with Tae Ora Tinana values, having been instrumental in the ropu's formation during my presidency. It will be a pleasure working with Ulima Tofi, Tae Ora Tinana's representative. We currently serve together for the profession on the Health Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal.

Jon's and my nominations are supported by Lee Gardiner, Duncan Reid, Margot Skinner, Dusty Quinn, Gill Stotter, Angela Cadogan, and other respected leaders within our profession. We are listening. You will be heard. We look forward to your votes.