

JOIN THE NZSA

Advocacy Community Education



A trusted and leading voice supporting anaesthetists in Aotearoa/New Zealand



NZSA'S KEY AREAS OF WORK



The NZSA represents and supports our community of anaesthetists in New Zealand and promotes high quality perioperative care and patient safety. The NZSA is committed to the Treaty of Waitangi, biculturalism, and our obligations to Māori as tangata whenua. We support an equitable healthcare system that meets the needs of all New Zealanders.

Join your professional society to strengthen our mandate and influence — a higher rate of membership ensures we truly represent the unique voice of New Zealand anaesthetists. Your support builds our resources so we can offer more to our members such as events, networks, advice, advocacy, resources and more!



ADVOCACY

The NZSA provides a strong, collective voice for members, advocating on issues impacting everyday practice and patient care.

- Meetings with Government, the Ministry of Health, ACC, and other health organisations.
- Submissions to influence policy and legislation which impact anaesthesia, patient care and our health system.
- Advocacy across diverse issues including the structure of our health system, workforce, professional standards, prescribing, medications, environmental sustainability and more.
- The only New Zealand organisation advocating for anaesthetists working in private practice.
- Strong stakeholder relationships and collaboration to maximise our influence.



COMMUNITY

The NZSA promotes and supports a strong anaesthesia community.

We help to build strong connections and collegiality for our members. Our anaesthesia networks (e.g. paediatrics, obstetrics, private practice) share information on clinical best practice, advocate for the specialty, offer professional support, and enable anaesthetists to forge close relationships with anaesthetist colleagues throughout the country.

We actively engage with members (e.g. visiting hospital departments, member surveys) to ensure we focus on the issues that matter to our members.

Strong, enduring relationships, built on trust and credibility underpin our work. We collaborate with health sector organisations including the New Zealand National Committee of ANZCA, the New Zealand Private Surgical Hospitals Association, and the New Zealand Anaesthetic Technicians' Society.

GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

- Strong relationships with the Australian Society of Anaesthetists and the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists.
- Member of the WFSA (World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists) and the Common Issues Group (anaesthesia societies from Australia, the US, Canada, UK and Northern Ireland, and South Africa).
- Support for our Pacific colleagues, including anaesthesia education, through our Global Health Committee.
- Supporter of Lifebox to improve access to safe anaesthesia worldwide.
- A shareholder in ANZTADC (the Australia and New Zealand Tripartite Anaesthetic Data Collection Committee) which runs the incident reporting tool webAIRS.





EDUCATION

We support education to advance the knowledge and skills of anaesthetists and trainees.

We host the Part 3 Course for trainees, co-host the Annual Queenstown Update in Anaesthesia (AQUA), organise Annual Scientific Meetings, NZSA forums and webinars.

The NZSA offers awards, prizes, and research grants to support education and promote excellence in anaesthesia.

As a member of the Aotearoa New Zealand Education Anaesthesia Committee (with ANZCA NZNC) we offer the BWT Ritchie Scholarship and the Anaesthesia Visiting Lectureships.

The NZSA is a member of educational groups which coordinate postgraduate education throughout Australasia e.g. Special Interest Groups (SIGs) and the Anaesthesia Continuing Education Committee (ACE).



MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS & BENEFITS

As a member we keep you updated on issues affecting anaesthesia and our wider health system through our magazine, e-newsletter, website, and social media platforms.

Member benefits include:

- The Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Journal
- The Relative Value Guide, a member-only guidance tool for those working in private practice
- Other private practice resources e.g. introduction to private practice, ACC FAQs.
- Free online mindfulness and wellness course.
- · Resources for your patients.
- Health and Safety Manual tailored for anaesthetists to comply with H&S Act.





FREE TRAINEE MEMBERSHIP*

NZSA supports trainee education and continuing professional development:

- Annual BWT Ritchie Scholarship to support overseas training
- Trainee prizes and research grants
- · Part 3 Course
- · Sponsoring trainee events.

Our two trainee representatives on the NZSA Executive keep us updated on the issues that matter to trainees. They welcome your ideas, experiences, and insights!

We also co-host trainee events with ANZCA throughout the year.

^{*} Trainee membership does not include the AIC Journal. Trainees can choose to subscribe to the journal with a paid annual AIC Journal subscription.

SIGN UP **TODAY!**

NZSA fees are reimbursed or tax practice. Trainee

- m www.anaesthesia.nz Visit the membership section of our website for more information or to sign up.
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