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**PASIFIKA MEDICAL
ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE**
Vunilagi ni Bula Sautu / Living our best lives

Pasifika Medical Association Conference 2024

PROGRAMME

Te Pae Convention Centre
November 26-27, 2024





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Mālō e laumālie

We are privileged to welcome you to our annual Pasifika Medical Association Conference here in Christchurch, New Zealand. We are excited to gather and celebrate the fantastic work being carried out across the Pacific region by our Pacific health and medical colleagues.

This year's theme, "*Vunilagi ni bula sautu - Living our best lives*", captures the holistic approach to health and wellbeing that has always grounded our Pacific communities. We look forward to exploring this theme in depth as we continue to navigate our respective fields and futures, together.



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Mrs Debbie Sorensen DCCT CMinstD NZRPN
CEO Pasifika Medical Association Group

Global Health Symposium – Monday, 25 November 2024

Vunilagi ni bula sautu: Living our best lives

9:00AM	Turou Avaiki Ou
9:10AM	Lotu Rev Ranginui Vini Board Director, Etu Pasifika Canterbury
9:15AM	Welcome Dr Kiki Maoate <i>ONZM, FRACS</i> President Pasifika Medical Association Group
09:30AM	Making Impact – Measuring Value Debbie Sorensen <i>CCT, CMInstD, NZRPN</i> CEO Pasifika Medical Association
09:50AM	Collaboration in Action – Working Together for Better Health Outcomes Panel Discussion Dr Lucas de Toca <i>PSM</i> Ambassador for Global Health, Australia, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Dr Ronald Upenyu Mutasa <i>PhD</i> Practice Manager for the Health, Nutrition and Population Global Practice for the East, Asia and Pacific Region, World Bank Dr Tara Kessaram <i>FNZCPHM</i> Health Unit Manager, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
10:30AM	Group Photo
10:35AM	Morning tea
11:00am	Video
11:10AM	Uto Bulabula – Healthy Hearts Panel Discussion Dr Kirsten Finucane <i>CNZM FRACS</i> Paediatric Surgeon, Starship Hospital Dr Farah Fatupaito <i>MSc (Tropical Paediatrics)</i> Head of Paediatrics, Tupua Tamasese Meaole Hospital, Samoa Dr Maryanne Kora'ai <i>MMeds (Paeds)</i> Paediatric Cardiologist, Maasina Heart Pacifika, Fiji

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11:40AM	Changing Children's Lives – Paediatric Cardiology Panel Discussion
	Prof Tom Gentles <i>FRACP, FCSANZ</i> Paediatric Cardiologist, Starship Hospital
	Dr Annette Garae <i>MMeds (Paeds)</i> Paediatrician, Vila Central Hospital, Vanuatu
	Dr Jimaima Kailawadoko <i>MClinEpi</i> Country Manager, Cure Kids Fiji
12:10PM	Changing Children's Lives – Paediatric Oncology Panel Discussion
	Dr Siobhan Cross <i>FRACP, FRCPA</i> Paediatric Haematologist/Oncologist, Christchurch Hospital
	Dr Miriama Tukana Thaggard <i>MMeds (Paeds)</i> Paediatrician, Colonial War Memorial Hospital, Fiji
12:40PM	Lunch
1:15PM	Saving Women's Lives – Saving Families Panel Discussion
	Dr Michael Burling <i>FRANZCOG</i> Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, St George Private Hospital
	Dr Ai Ling Tan <i>FRANZCOG</i> Gynaecological Oncologist, Ascot Central Women's Clinic
	Dr Bryony Simcock <i>FRANZCOG</i> Gynaecological Oncologist, Oxford Women's Health
2:00PM	Ngalu Fānifo: Mental Health Commissioner Panel Panel Discussion
	Chair: Dr Etuini Ma'u <i>FRANZCP</i> Consultant Psychiatrist, Te Whatu Ora, Waikato, Mental Health Services for Older People
	Seiuliali'i Dr George Leao Tuitama <i>PGDip Mental Health</i> Head of Mental Health Services, Ministry of Health Samoa
	Dr Jimmy Obed <i>MPsych</i> Head of Mental Health, Vila Central Hospital, Port Vila
	Associate Professor Dr Sione Vaka <i>MNurs, PhD</i> Poutumatua Pasifika Tausisoifua, Waikato University

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2:45PM	Afternoon tea
	Building for Better – Strengthening Nursing Capacity Panel Discussion
3:00PM	Litiana Tatukivei <i>BNSc, DGON, PGDipMid</i> Clinical Nurse Educator, Colonial War Memorial Hospital, Fiji
	Papali'i Dr Suitafa Debbie Ryan <i>MNZM, FNZCPHM</i> Principal, Pacific Perspectives
	Growing Leadership – Strengthening Clinical Capacity Clinical Panel Discussion
	Dr Alamea Fulivai <i>MMed (General Surgery)</i> Surgeon Specialist, Vaiola Hospital, Tonga
3:30PM	Dr Loutoa Poese <i>MMed (Internal Medicine)</i> Physician Specialist, Vaiola Hospital, Tonga
	Aigafealofani Fonoti Dr Fa'amuumua Arasi <i>PDipAN, MMed (Anaesthesia)</i> Acting Head of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Services, Ministry of Health Samoa
	Closing session
4:15PM	Dr Kiki Maoate <i>FRACS, ONZM</i> President, Pasifika Medical Association Group
4:30PM	Networking drinks

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7:45AM	Registration Desk Open
8:45AM	Guests are seated
	Formal Opening Ceremony Auditorium 3 & 4 MC: John Pulu
9:00AM	Traditional Welcome: Fijian Welcome Moraia Fijian Methodist Church Youth
	Lotu
9:10AM	Father Paulo Filoiali'i <i>BPhil, MTheo</i> Board Director, Etu Pasifika Canterbury
9:15AM	Conference Opening Video
9:20AM	Welcome Address from the Patron Lord Tangi 'o Vaonukonuka <i>FRACS</i> Patron, Pasifika Medical Association Group
9:30AM	Opening Remarks Dr Kiki Maoate <i>ONZM, FRACS</i> President, Pasifika Medical Association Group
9:40AM	"Celebrating years of navigation across the Pacific" Debbie Sorensen <i>CCT, CMInstD, NZRPN</i> CEO, Pasifika Medical Association Group
9:50AM	Cultural Performance Moraia Fijian Methodist Church Youth
	Keynote Address
10:00AM	Dr Saia Piukala <i>PGDipSurg, MMed Surgery</i> Regional Director for the Western Pacific, World Health Organisation
10:15AM	Conference Group Photo

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11:00AM	Morning tea
11:20AM	Gone Lalai (Child Health) Chair: Dr Joshua Agnew <i>FRACP</i>
11:20AM	Video
11:25AM	Keynote Address – Uto Bulabula Dr Kirsten Finucane <i>CNZM, FRACS</i> Paediatric Surgeon, Starship Hospital
11:40AM	Gone Lalai (Child Health) Panel Discussion
	Dr Farah Fatupaito <i>MSc Tropical Paediatrics</i> Head of Paediatrics, Tupua Tamasese Meaole Hospital, Samoa
	Dr Flora Lutui <i>MMeds (Paeds)</i> Paediatrician, Vaiola Hospital, Tonga
	Dr Annette Garae <i>MMeds (Paeds)</i> Paediatrician, Vila Central Hospital, Vanuatu
	Dr Jimaima Kailawadoko <i>MClinEpi</i> Country Manager, Cure Kids Fiji
12:30PM	Lunch
12:30PM	Pūtahi Manawa Session Dobson 1 Chair: Dr Joshua Agnew <i>FRACP</i>
	Acute rheumatic fever in Canterbury: The experiences of patients and whānau – Taliah Su'a
	Struggling to Thrive: The Experiences of Pregnant Women with Rheumatic Heart Disease in Fiji – Jyotishna Mani
	Te Maatai Manawa a Whaanau: Family Heart Echo Screening Study – Dr Adam Dennison
	First-Degree Relative RHD echocardiographic screening in Fiji – Jessica Paka
Fatu Malosi Summer Research Programme: An Opportunity to Build the Pipeline – Nuseta Hope	

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	I Taba Gone (Youth / Adolescents) Chair: Dr Kalo Lalahi-Jermyn FRNZCUC
01:30PM	Keynote Address Shaneel Lal <i>LLB</i> Queer Rights Activist
1:45PM	I Taba Gone (Youth / Adolescents) Panel Discussion Dr Siale Foliaki <i>MNZM, FRANZCP</i> Psychiatrist, Middlemore Hospital Tanaki Fasi Student, Cashmere High School Janet Maoate-Breen <i>PGDipAppSc (Physical Conditioning), BPhy</i> Physiotherapist, The Core Centre Peati Mene-Vaele <i>PGDipClinPsy, MNZCCP</i> Clinical Psychologist, Etu Pasifika Canterbury

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2:30PM	Concurrent Sessions
GONE LALAI DOBSON 1	Chair: Dr Fiona Perelini <i>FCICM</i>
2:30 – 2:45PM	Dancing with my ancestors towards cultural safety: Introducing the Fau'olo framework <i>Lilo Oka Sanerivi</i>
2:45 – 3:00PM	Enhancing Health Education for Pacific Children – Nesian Narratives <i>Amelia Ah Mann, Ang Mizziebo, Dr Analosa</i>
3:00 – 3:15PM	Enhancing Pacific Healthcare with Sectra. <i>Malcolm Tangi</i>
3:15 – 3:30PM	Pacific Emergency Maternal and Neonatal Training (PEMNeT) Programme – A key strategy for improving management of obstetrics emergencies in the Pacific <i>Dr Sharon Bolitho</i>
3:30 – 3:45PM	'Taking Paediatrics Abroad', connecting Australian subspecialists with Pacific medical professionals to help Pasifika children. <i>Dr Flora Lutui</i>
I TABA GONE DOBSON 2	Chair: Dr Maryann Heather <i>FRNZCGP</i>
2:30 – 2:45PM	Lalaga: Reweaving a focus on relationships for wellbeing <i>Atelaite Mapa</i>
2:45 – 3:00PM	Wayfinding for Life: A Culturally-Informed Suicide Prevention Program for Māori and Pasifika Youth <i>Faumuina Felolini Maria Tafuna'i</i>
3:00 – 3:15PM	A qualitative study of Pacific male youth perspectives on digital harms and digital wellbeing in Aotearoa, New Zealand. <i>Dr Edmond Fehoko</i>
3:15 – 3:30PM	Rheumatic Heart Disease-Related Mortality in Fiji. A Decade of Analysis <i>Jyotishna Mani</i>
3:30 – 3:45PM	The perceptions of risk and management of infectious disease among Pacific Youth: To examine the role of social networks and social media for effective (and culturally relevant) communications. <i>Dr Jason Tautasi</i>

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UABULA DOBSON 3	Chair: Abel Smith <i>BN, RN, MPP (Leadership)</i>
2:30 – 2:45PM	How are universities preparing a Psychology workforce to work with Pacific communities? Experiences of Psychology professionals and Students <i>Dr Sam Manuela</i>
2:45 – 3:00PM	Is it selfish to look after yourself? Exploring Pacific self-care and burnout <i>Asetoa Sam Pilisi</i>
3:00 – 3:15PM	Perceptions of patients and Health Care Workers (HCWs) on Foot Complications amongst Type 2 Diabetic Mellitus (T2DM) Patients attending clinics at Rotuma Hospital: a Qualitative Study. <i>Dr Malakai Ranuve</i>
3:15 – 3:30PM	Strengthening Sexual Health Education in Pacific Communities: Insights from Nesian Narratives <i>Dr Analosa Veukiso-Ulugia</i>
3:30 – 3:45PM	Samoa Tatau: A holistic process of traditional cultural tattooing. <i>Saunima'a Josephine Sasa</i>
UABULA DOBSON 4	Chair: Dr Veisia Matoto <i>MMed Int, MHLthLd</i>
2:30 – 2:45PM	Indications and outcomes of vitreoretinal surgeries in Fiji. <i>Dr Nola Pikacha</i>
2:45 – 3:00PM	Drawing on Pacific strength and success in Adult Mental Health Practice to facilitate progress along He Ara Oranga <i>Dr Ruby Tuesday</i>
3:00 – 3:15PM	General practitioners' views on the role of community pharmacists in achieving Pacific heart health equity in Aotearoa. <i>Jessie Lagaluga Hutchings</i>
3:15 – 3:30PM	Protecting Pacific communities from future pandemics: An opportunity to learn from the Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices (KAP) towards COVID-19 among Pacific people in Aotearoa New Zealand study. <i>Dr Tamasin Taylor</i>
3:30 – 3:45PM	Weighing up the potential for anti-obesity drugs as an opportunity for Pacific and Māori health consumers living with overweight, obesity and related co-morbidities in Aotearoa New Zealand. <i>Dr Tamasin Taylor</i>

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UABULA / QASE BEALEY 4&5	Chair: Dr Xaviour Walker FRACP
2:30 – 2:45PM	Working alongside the older adult in an inpatient ward: a Physiotherapists perspective on rehabilitation and restoration <i>Rasela-Joy Gibson</i>
2:45 – 3:00PM	The implications of vision impairment in Pacific older people <i>Michaela Peters</i>
3:00 – 3:15PM	Pacific Mental Health Survey – Tonga and Samoa <i>Seiulial'i Dr George Leao Tuitama</i>
3:15 – 3:30PM	Māngalo: A Tongan conceptualisation of dementia <i>Tevita Vungamoeahi</i>
3:30 – 3:45PM	The meaning and value of physical activity for Samoan men's wellbeing <i>Lilo Oka Sanerivi</i>
NURSING BEALEY 3	Chair: Catherine Tu'akalau BN, MN, NP
2:30 – 2:45PM	Supporting development of Paediatric Palliative Care across the Pacific <i>Dr Gemma Aburn & Dr Jane Skeen</i>
2:45 – 3:00PM	Nursing Workforce Development Growing Our Own <i>Rose Ah Mau</i>
3:00 – 3:15PM	Ole Fau Gagana: A Samoa mental health nurse in Aotearoa, NZ. <i>Dr Ta'avale Ioana Mulipola</i>
3:15 – 3:30PM	Ūloa: moving together <i>Associate Professor Dr Sione Vaka</i>
3:30 – 3:45PM	Finding Strength in Adversity <i>Karen Carpenter</i>

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3:45PM	Afternoon tea
	Medical Colleges Panel Chair: Dr Kiki Maoate <i>ONZM, FRACS</i>
	Medical Colleges Panel Panel Discussion
	Mrs Stephanie Clota <i>LLB, MBA</i> Chief Executive Officer, Royal Australian College of Surgeons (RACS)
	Dr Vanessa Beavis <i>CNZM, FANZCA, GChPOM, FAICD</i> Director Professional Affairs, Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA)
4:15PM	Dr Mark Lawrence <i>FRANZCP</i> Elected Director, The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP)
	Dr Luke Bradford <i>FRNZCGP</i> Medical Director, The Royal New Zealand College of general Practitioners (RANZCGP)
	Dr Peter Hadden <i>FRANZCO</i> Board Director, The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists (RANZCO)
5:00PM	Closing remarks
5:15PM	End of day 1

Day 01 – Tuesday, 26 November 2024

Voyager's Dinner

MC: John Pulu | Rev: Peni Tikoinaka
The River Room, Te Pae Convention Centre

6:30PM Doors open

7:00PM Welcome

7:10PM Lotu
Rev Peni Tikoinaka
Minister, Moraia Fijian Methodist Church

7:20PM Chairs Welcome
Dr Kiki Maoate *ONZM, FRACS*
President, Pasifika Medical Association Group

7:30PM Entrees Served

7:35PM Life & Service Awards

8:00PM Dinner Served

8:10PM Performance: Tama Mai Saute
Dance Academy

8:25PM Auction

8:45PM Dessert Served

8:50PM Raffle Award

10:30PM Finished

PMA Conference: Day 02 – Wednesday, 27 November 2024

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	Pre-Conference Activity (Optional)
6:30AM	Waka Ama Driving Range
	Lotu
09:00AM	Lotu Rev Ranginui Vini Board Director, Etu Pasifika Canterbury
	Debate: I'd Rather Be Old
09:10AM	Moderator: Sir Collin Tukuitonga <i>KNZM</i> Seini Falefata <i>BN</i> (Team Lead 1) versus Dr Audrey Aumua <i>PhD, MPP, PGDiplntHlth</i> (Team Lead 2)
	Uabula (Turaga Kei Na Marama) – Adults: Perioperative Care
	Chair: Dr Elizabeth Dunn <i>FANZCA</i>
	Keynote Address
09:45AM	Dr Vanessa Beavis <i>CNZM, FANZCA, GChPOM, FAICD</i> Director Professional Affairs, ANZCA
	Uabula (Turaga Kei Na Marama) – Adults: Perioperative Care
	Panel Discussion
	Aigafealofani Fonoti Dr Fa'amuumua Arasi <i>PGDipAN, MMed (Anaesthesia)</i> Acting Head of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Services, Ministry of Health Samoa
10:00AM	Fuimaono Satualafaalagilagi Dr Leinani Aiono-Le Tagalao <i>FANZCA FPPMANZCA</i> Vice Dean, Faculty of Pain Medicine, ANZCA
	Pauline Fakalata <i>BN, DipN</i> Nurse Unit Manager, Te Toka Tumai Auckland
	Dr Basil Leodoro <i>MMed General Surgery</i> Director of Operations, MV HELPR-1, Respond Global
10:50AM	Morning tea
	Qase (Matua) – Elderly
	Chair: Dr Api Talemaitoga <i>FRNZCGP</i>

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11:10AM	Keynote Address Dr Xaviour Walker <i>FRACP</i> Board Director, Pasifika Medical Association Membership
	Qase (Matua) – Elderly Panel Discussion Dr Etuini Ma'u <i>FRANZCP</i> Consultant Psychiatrist, Te Whatu Ora, Waikato, Mental Health Services for Older People Dr Natalie Hopoi <i>FRNZCGP</i> General Practitioner, Salvation Army Hauora Service
11:25AM	Ailua Makalio <i>DipEd</i> Mātua Co-ordinator/Culture Advisor, Etu Pasifika Canterbury Tagaloa Samuelu Teevale <i>BA (Theology)</i> Mātua Co-ordinator/Navigator, Etu Pasifika Canterbury Finau Taungapeau <i>NZRD</i> Director of Health Services/Dietician, Pacific Trust Otago
	12:25PM Lunch
	Pūtahi Manawa Session Dobson 1 Chair: Dr Joshua Agnew <i>FRACP</i> Addressing rheumatic heart disease in Fiji the Pacific Islands: A paediatrician's perspective of challenges and the way forward <i>Dr Maryanne Kora'ai</i> Pilot study of rapid echocardiography screening of Antenatal women in Fiji <i>Jessica Paka</i> RHD echocardiology screening in primary schools in Tuvalu <i>Dr Linda Laine Elia</i> Whāia te Māramatanga: COVID-19 and acute rheumatic fever in Aotearoa <i>Dr Adam Dennison</i> Non-expert rheumatic heart disease ECHO screening in Labasa Medical Area, Fiji <i>Jessica Paka</i>

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	Primary Care Is The Future Chair: Dr Api Talemaitoga <i>FRNZCGP</i>
	Primary Care Is The Future Panel Discussion
	Primary Care Workforce Development Medical Workforce Dr Minnie Strickland <i>FRNZCGP</i> National Clinical Director, Etu Pasifika Nursing Workforce Falena Prouting <i>BN</i> Nursing Director, Etu Pasifika Auckland
1:15PM	Model of care Dr Kalo Lalahi-Jermyn <i>FRNZCUC</i> Chair, Etu Pasifika Canterbury
	Services scope Social Services Edna Soli <i>BSW</i> Whānau Ora Lead, Etu Pasifika Bula Talei Dr Sarah Harris <i>PhD, FRACP</i> Paediatrician, Etu Pasifika Canterbury
2:15PM	Closing Remarks Dr Kiki Maoate <i>ONZM, FRACS</i> President, Pasifika Medical Association Group
2:50PM	Lotu
	End of conference

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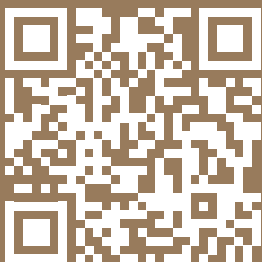


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