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Kāhui Matatika o te Motu

Date	17 July 2025	
Committee meeting	NEAC meeting	
Location	Online Teams meeting	
Meeting time	9:00am – 4:00pm	Break times 10:30am; 2:30pm Lunch 12:30pm-1:15pm
Attendees	NEAC members Dr Elizabeth Fenton (Chair) Dr Lindsey Te Ata o Tū MacDonald (Acting Chair) Julia Black Maree Candish Edmond Carrucan Associate Professor Vanessa Jordan Dr Filipo Katavake-McGrath Dr Fiona Miles Dr Tania Moerenhout Dr Hansa Patel Dr Karaitiana Taiuru NEAC Secretariat Manager, Ethics Guest speakers Dr Robyn Whittaker – Chair, National AI Algorithm Expert Advisory Group (NAIAEAG) Rory Miller – Clinician, Thames Hospital Apologies	



1. Welcome (9:00am-9:40am) (led by Chair)

- a. Karakia
- b. Opening Comments

KARAKIA

He Karakia Whakatuwheratia
Whiti ora ki te whai ao
ki te ao mārama.
Whiti ki runga, whiti ki raro.
E ngunguru ki te pōhatu
E ngunguru ki te rākau
tītaha ki tēnei taha
tītaha ki tērā taha
Tihei mauriora

Cross over to life in the changing world
in the world of light and understanding
Cross upwards, cross downwards.
Turn to the rock
turn to the tree
leaning to this side
leaning to that side

2. Apologies

3. Approval of the day's agenda (led by the Chair)

4. Chair's update

5. Declarations of interest (led by the Chair)

- a. Review declarations of interest
- b. Declare any conflicts of interest/role regarding the agenda and determine how to manage any conflict

Conflict of interest section from NEAC Terms of Reference

1. Members must perform their functions in good faith, honestly and impartially, and avoid situations that might compromise their integrity or otherwise lead to conflicts of interest. They must also be, and be seen to be, independent of the Minister of Health and the Ministry of Health. Proper observation of these principles will protect the National Ethics Advisory Committee and its members and will ensure it retains public confidence.
2. Members attend meetings and undertake Committee activities as independent persons responsible to the Committee as a whole. Members are not appointed as representatives of professional organisations and groups. The Committee should not, therefore, assume that a particular group's interests have been taken into account because a member is associated with a particular group.
3. Members are required to declare any actual or perceived interests to the full Committee. The Committee will then determine whether or not the interest represents a conflict, and if so, what action will be taken.
 - The Chairperson will ask members to declare any actual or perceived interests at the start of each meeting.

6. Minutes of NEAC's 8 May 2025 meeting: for committee approval (led by the Chair)

- Paper 1 - NEAC Minutes 8 May - DRAFT

7. Actions arising from the 8 May 2025 meeting: for noting (led by the Chair)

- Paper 2 - Actions Arising



8. Secretariat's Update (presented by the Manager, Ethics)

9. Standards review – Chapter 17: Compensation (9:40am-10:30am)

- Paper 3 – Standards Chapter 17
- Paper 3a – Attachment A – Standards Chapter 17 - Compensation
- Paper 3b – Attachment B - Draft proposal to replace ACC equivalence
- Paper 3c – Attachment C - HRCEC Independent Comment re: insurance – DRAFT

Short break (10 minutes)

10. Standards review – Chapter 18 – Quality Improvement (10:40am-11:25am)

- Paper 4 – Standards Chapter 18
- Paper 4a – Standards Chapter 18 – Quality Improvement
- Paper 4b – Attachment B – Letter from HRCEC

11. Standards review – Health Data and new technologies (11:25pm-12:30pm)

- Guest speaker – Dr Robyn Whittaker (11:30am – 12:15pm)
- Paper 5 – Standards Chapters 12 & 13
- Paper 5a – Attachment A – Standards Chapters 12 & 13
- Paper 5b – Attachment B – HNZ National AI Development Checklist
- Paper 5c – Attachment C – AI research checklist for HDECs

Lunch Break (12:30pm-1:15pm)

12. Clinical Ethics – Guest Speaker: Rory Miller (1:20pm-2:00pm) (introduced by the Chair)

13. Clinical Ethics – Working group update (2:00pm-2:30pm)

- Paper 6 – Clinical Ethics – Phase 1 Preliminary Report
- Paper 6a – Clinical Ethics Engagement Plan

Short break (10 minutes)

14. Other correspondence (2:40pm-3:10pm) (led by Chair)

- Paper 7 – Letter to Minister Brown from NEAC Chair – Sent on 27 July - Information only
- Paper 8 – Email: Hospital design and patient rights
- Paper 9 – Letter: HRC EC Ethical Review of Health and Disability Research by Private Ethics Committees

15. Any other business (3:10pm-3:30 pm) (led by Chair)

- Paper 10 - Forward Agenda and upcoming events – for noting
- Paper 11 - Other papers of interest – for noting
- HRC training day – 25 July 2025
- National advisory group for use of routinely collected data for research

Karakia (provided at item 1)

Meeting ends 4:00pm



Member	Declarations of interests
Vanessa Jordan	• Associate Professor, University of Auckland • New Zealand Cochrane Fellow • Associate Director Cochrane New Zealand • Elected Board member and trustee of the international charity the Cochrane Collaboration • Member and Chair of Cochrane Conflict of Interest Panel • Expert reviewer NZ Heart Foundation • Expert researcher for website Evidence-based IVF: unimelb.edu.au/IVF • Director MSDocs Ltd (owns a primary care practice)
Hansa Patel	• Research applicant for study approved by HDECs (18/CEN/18) • Research Fellow, University of Otago • Visiting Scholar, Victoria University of Wellington • Volunteer client interviewer, Citizens Advice Bureau, Lower Hutt
Edmond Carrucan	• Former Lecturer in Te Piringa – Faculty of Law at the University of Waikato • Former Rōia Rangatahi for Te Hunga Rōia Māori o Aotearoa • Member of the Rotorua District Licensing Committee • Waikato Local Advisory Committee Member (Fire and Emergency New Zealand) • Member of the Lottery Oranga Marae Committee • Solicitor with Law North in Kerikeri, Northland
Lindsey Te Ata o Tū MacDonald	• Associate at Ngāi Tahu Research Centre • Senior Lecturer in the Department of Political Science and International Relations at the University of Canterbury • Co-Chair of Aotearoa Research Ethics Trust • Co-Chair, University of Canterbury Human Research Ethics Committee • Co-Chair, Health Research Council Ethics Committee • Researcher on Health Research Council funded Whakahā o te Pā Harakeke research programme (19/641 Hoek) • Member, New Zealand Police Expert Panel on Emergent Technologies
Maree Candish	• Board member of Science for ME, an international forum for the advancement of knowledge of post-infection conditions including ME/CFS (unpaid) • Other unpaid international advocacy work related to post-infection conditions including ME/CFS and Long Covid



Tania Moerenhout	• Senior Lecturer at Bioethics Centre, University of Otago, Ōtepoti Dunedin • Chair of the WONCA (World Organisation of Family Doctors) Working Party on Ethics and Professionalism • Member of the NZTHF Working Group on Research, Audit and Evaluation • GP at Broadway Medical Centre, Ōtepoti Dunedin (employee) • Consultancy work for King Baudouin Foundation Belgium (in position of Lecturer) • Member GP Aotearoa, NZ Women in Medicine, PATHA • Member of the Ethics Committee of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians
Julia Black	• Member of the Dunedin Colorectal Cohort governance committee (DNCRC) • Discretionary Beneficiary of a Trust, which holds shares in some pharmaceutical and health care companies. No equities held personally • Co-founder of 'Hope Without Fear', a charitable organisation with a focus on helping to raise funds for research and development for the early detection of bowel cancer in New Zealand
Dr Elizabeth Fenton	• Senior Lecturer, Bioethics Centre, University of Otago • Member, End of Life Review Committee (MoH)
Dr Filipo Katavake-McGrath	• Managing Director: Filipo Consulting Limited • Managing Director: Functional Conditions Management Limited (T/A The Functional Idiopath) • Managing Director: State Abuse Survivor Data Monitoring and Services Limited • Board Member: OutLine Aotearoa • Board Member Ex Officio: Te Roopū Toiora • Panel Member: Gateway Australia/New Zealand • Panel Member: Health Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal.
Dr Fiona Miles	• Deputy Chair of the Auckland Clinical Ethics Advisory Group • Clinical intensive care clinician • Medical Mediation mediator (not currently practising clinically)
Dr Karaitiana Taiuru	• Member of Te Whatu Ora - Advisory Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology ACART • Member of University of Victoria Ethics Committee • Director Taiuru & Associates Ltd • Member of Otago Polytechnic Auckland International Campus Ethics Committee • Member of Te Whatu Ora National AI & Algorithm Expert Advisory Reference Group