

# FIRST AID TRAINING MATTERS

*Promoting quality in the first aid industry*



**Association of Emergency Care Training Providers Inc.**

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## AECTP 2019 Pre-hospital Emergency Care Conference

### Community Critical Care – in the moment and beyond

**26 November 2019 Novotel Auckland Airport** — Our annual pre-hospital emergency care conference at Novotel (a short walk from the terminal) will provide excellent PDD provided by high level practitioners with a focus on attending road trauma scenes, caring for others and keeping ourselves safe. Enrol here [Online registrations now open](#). to be part of AECTP's 2019 significant training event for our sector and offered for the first time in Auckland. Further information can be found at [www.aectpnz.org](http://www.aectpnz.org).

**NZQA Regulatory Position**— considering their regulatory position NZQA sought extensive feedback from a range of sectors on what it was like to do business with. NZQA then “used the principles and practices in this document to inform how we refine our quality assurance activities and related Rules” and developed a concept plan which NZQA has agreed will share at a later time.

**The First Aid Unit Standards Review**—The proposed new First Aid Standard sector consultation by Skills Organisation remains in progress and is progressing. Updates will be made when available. Consistent, fit for purpose and robust workplace first aid training for New Zealanders remains AECTPs first priority across the sector.

### GoodSAM

The GoodSAM app, which alerts CPR trained members of the public to nearby cardiac arrests, allows willing members of the public to provide help before the emergency services arrive.

More and more Kiwis are now signing up with the GoodSAM app so they are able to provide more immediate help within their communities, or near their work places. The public are now encouraged to consider signing up and to help spread the message.

**Lock down processes**—the next NZQA Peak Body meeting will discuss legitimate circumstances for lockdowns to be imposed and identifying the recommended lockdown processes for Educational Institutes. Consideration includes such things as: who has authority; on what legal basis is that authority gained; how to impose a lockdown process on a PTE; voluntary lockdown situations; does it apply to people over 18yrs and keeping people out; address issues which have arisen through lockdown experiences; health and safety; PTE legal and operational actions ; lock down responsibilities; recommended legal wording requirements; who pays associated costs in event of an ordered lockdown. AECTP website will have the updates. Please contact us if you have any comments or concerns.

### Q&A—NZQA

**Q**—What is NZQA doing about inadequate ITO assessment materials?

**A**—NZQA, which is responsible for overseeing the ITO's national external moderation, has set up a new team up to investigate substandard or inappropriate assessment practices and moderation processes within the tertiary sector.

**Q**—What is the progress with ROVE?

**A**—ROVE - Reform of Vocational Education: Following extensive discussions, Minister of Education, Hon Chris Hipkins, proposes to establish the New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology, which would be supported by a Industry Workforce Development Councils — for which consultation is currently progressing throughout New Zealand. Input from the regions and sectors are strongly encouraged.

**Q**—Is NZQA able to work with ITOs to address any performance issues raised and any information may be used for investigations, reviews or EERs?

**A**—Yes: NZQA is able to work fully with ITOs to address any issues which have been raised or which they have received information on.

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*Community Critical Care—in the moment and beyond*  
26 November 2019—Novotel Auckland Airport\*\*\*

# Letter From The Chair

## From the Chair

Arrangements for our Annual Conference are well in hand and the programme has been finalised. Full details are elsewhere in this Newsletter.

This will be the first conference that we have held outside of Wellington, and this was at the request of many members, so we are keen to see a large attendance from our Auckland based members and their respective organisations. Our overall success relies heavily on attendance at conference, so if you have not registered, please do so as soon as possible. I also ask that you actively encourage others to attend, particularly any friends or colleagues that would benefit from attending, please pass on the conference details.

We will also be holding our Annual General meeting on the same day, and again I encourage all member organisations to attend as this is your AGM. Active participation in the affairs of AECTP are important so that the Board is always aware of the members views.

The end of the year is rapidly approaching, and the challenges of 2020 will soon be upon us. Changes to unit standards or course content all have an impact of our learners. How we implement change and achieve a national consistency that respects our learners is fundamental to us as training providers. The Board is mindful of pending change and we will keep our membership well informed.

Graham

Graham J. Wrigley, AECTP Chair, 2019

## NZQA UPDATES

### PTE registrations and PTE proposed new governing members

Fit and Proper Person and Conflict of Interest declarations are required for all new PTE applications for registration, and also for proposed new governing members of registered PTEs. Please see Section 232 of the Education Act 1989 for the definition of governing members which addresses the requirements for "Fit and Proper Person and Conflict of Interest declarations". These declarations must be completed by all new governing members before commencing in the role, and at any time when an existing governing member has a new conflict of interest or there is a change in fit and proper status.

### Change of contact person for external evaluation and review

NZQA reminds us that—if you are due for an external evaluation and review and your contact person changes at any time, please notify the lead evaluator. This will ensure that NZQA communicates with the right person. To find the name and contact details for the lead evaluator, check the confirmation letter NZQA sent to your organisation four to six weeks before the evaluation.

### NZQA is responsible for overseeing ITO national external moderation

Any ITO information supplied to NZQA informs monitoring, investigations and external evaluation and reviews (EERs). NZQA works with ITOs to address any issues identified.

**English Language proficiency** requirements for international students have been strengthened following consultation with the sector. The new requirements involve changes to Rule 18 of the NZQF Programme Approval and Accreditation Rules 2018. Education organisations can review their policies against the new settings for English language proficiency, to ensure compliance when they come into effect.

**New Zealand qualification certificates**—NZQA encourages TEOs to award and issue qualifications listed at levels 1–6 on the NZQF. When designing Certificates or Diplomas, refer to the guidance at: [TEO issue of New Zealand qualification documents](#).

## AECTP Meetings

Members wishing to attend contact EO.

### 2019 AECTP Board Meetings

- 6 Sept, CHCH
- 11 Oct, CHCH
- 8 Nov, CHCH

### NZQA Peak Body Forums

MOE—with MOE, NZQA, and TEC

**2019 Forum meetings will be held on:**

- 18 Sept, Wgt
- 27 Nov, Wgt

## NZ Resuscitation Council

### Last 2019 COUNCIL MEETING

- 25–26 Nov, Wgt

*The Council has stopped using the term NZRC in favour of NZ Resuscitation Council to avoid confusion with the NZ Red Cross and NZ Refining Co.*

*And are moving towards using the “resus.org.nz” url for their website, as “nzrc.nz” was a conflicted url that was unable to be challenged.*

*Website review is underway.*

*Facebook using @NZResusCouncil*

*Twitter #NZResus.*

### RESTART A HEART DAY (RAHD)

*This national annual event aims to promote activities to promote public interest and awareness nationally. Information links to various stories and resources can be found [here](#).*

**\*\*16 October 2019**

## AECTP Inc. Board Business

*During 2019 the Board continued regular engagement with the Skills Organisation on the review of the 6400 Unit Standard series.*

*Details of the 2019 Annual Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Conference to be held at Novotel (airport) in Auckland; can be found on the AECTP website.*

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### Emergency Call Handling in New Zealand —By Shirley Kerr, National PTE/Quality Assurance Manager, St John.

It is important that you understand the Emergency Call Handlers from the 111 Centre work to International triage protocols. (This provides a quality and consistent system internationally). This internal standard is moderated annually and is set at an incredibly high standard.

The CPR that is taught is dependant on the causes determined during the triage process for example if respiratory arrest (caused by drowning etc.) is determined then they will teach to give 2 breaths then compressions.

However in all other cases of collapse they will teach the first aider to carry out compression only CPR as per their international protocols.

I believe we need to teach our first aiders as per the Resus guidelines and explain that at different levels CPR changes for example you only have to look at the old levels from the Resus Council guidelines.

We need to remember that we all have the patients best interests at heart and all want the best outcome for the patient and we do not need to get too hung up on these changes other than be aware of them.

I hope this helps to clarify your questions.

July 2019

For more information see [www.nzrc.org.nz/guidelines](http://www.nzrc.org.nz/guidelines)

### Restart A Heart Day—October 16

Join other First Aid trainers & providers promoting this day in any way you can—displays, photos, media releases, demos, displays, stories, events and let us know how it went to:

[info@aectpnz.org](mailto:info@aectpnz.org).

Seconds count in a cardiac Arrest

### **CALL—PUSH—SHOCK**



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#### 2019 Board Members

Graham Dennis, Independent

Janet Jamieson, Independent

Lesley Kidd, Independent

Yvonne Gray, New Zealand Red Cross

Graham Wrigley, New Zealand Red Cross

Shirley Kerr, St John

Julian Price, St John

Kathy Wright, C4, Seconded

#### AECTP Website updates: May — August 2019

##### 2019 Pre Hospital Emergency Care AECTP Conference:

- Critical Care—In the Moment and Beyond
  - Tuesday 26 November 2019

Novotel Airport Auckland

Registrations now open

Programme and updated information

—Online registration now open

April 2019 AECTP Newsletter—upload end Sept

News, FAQ & Resources page: