



**MEDICAL SCIENCES COUNCIL  
OF NEW ZEALAND**  
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# MSC Education

*The newsletter for  
education providers.*



Welcome to the first bi-annual  
MSC education newsletter.

The Council is pleased to present its first newsletter dedicated to education providers. The newsletter will be published bi-annually and the Council welcomes feedback on what you would like published.

The Council's education committee is made up of Council members, and is reviewed each year. For the 2016 year, the committee is made up of three members:

- ★ Karen Bennett - Anaesthetic Technician practitioner and Convener,
- ★ Paula McCormick - a Medical Laboratory Science practitioner,
- ★ Adriana Gunder - Lay member



## *Review Schedule*

EDUCATION INSTITUTE	DATE	NOTES
University of Otago (BMLS)	2016	Completed, report in progress
Auckland University of Technology (AUT) (Anaesthetic Technician)	2017	To be scheduled
New Zealand Institute of Medical Laboratory Science (NZIMLS)	2017	To be scheduled
Auckland University of Technology (AUT) (BMLS and Graduate Diploma)	2019	To be scheduled
Massey University (BMLS and Graduate Diploma)	2020	To be scheduled



## *2016 Joint Universities Institute Meeting*



The annual meeting between the Council and Education Providers was held on Tuesday 14 June. Representatives from Massey University, Otago University, AUT University, NZIMLS and the Council's Education Committee were present. Feedback from the laboratories, changes within the medical laboratory science profession and the future of the workforce were some of the topics of discussion

The Council has requested the Universities provide a list of available dates for a representative to speak to students about the Council and the process of applying for registration and the requirement to hold an annual practising certificate. The Council kindly requests this information to be emailed to Ataria Sharman (Professional Standards and Education Coordinator) at [ataria.sharman@medsci.co.nz](mailto:ataria.sharman@medsci.co.nz).

Thank you to those who have already provided this information

## *Accreditation Visit - University of Otago*



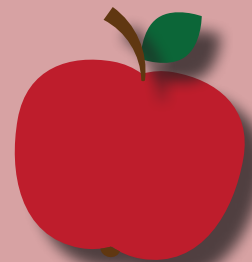
The two day site visit for the University of Otago Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science qualification was in June. Dr Harold Neal, Sue Carnoutsos, Kevin Taylor (all registered Medical Laboratory Scientists) and Ataria Sharman were members of the accreditation team.

The Council would like to thank the University of Otago for organising and facilitating this. It was an enjoyable visit.

## *Training Hospitals Annual Audit - Anaesthetic Technician Profession*

The following training hospitals were audited by Council in 2015:

- ✓ Christchurch
- ✓ Dunedin
- ✓ Whanganui
- ✓ Whangarei



The 2016 audit of four selected training hospitals is scheduled to take place in October. Selected hospitals will receive notification of this from Council in the coming months.

# Reporting to the Council

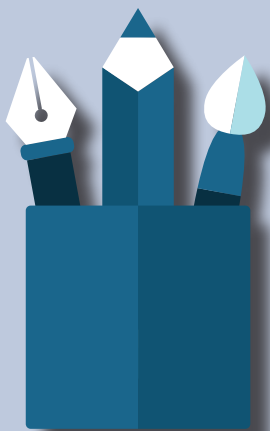
## Annual reporting requirements

The Council wishes to thank the Universities for providing their 2015 annual reports. Annual reports were provided to the Education Committee and reviewed by Council at the April 2016 meeting

The annual reporting template was updated in 2015. If you require a copy of this or the accreditation standards email: [ataria.sharman@medsci.co.nz](mailto:ataria.sharman@medsci.co.nz).



*A critical component of the accreditation process is the Council's ongoing monitoring for each of its accreditation programmes. An annual report, including details of any major changes is required from each education provider for every accredited programme.*



## Reporting Requirements

Education providers who were reviewed by Council in the last two years may have outstanding progress updates. Please refer to your accreditation review report and email any outstanding reporting requirements to [ataria.sharman@medsci.co.nz](mailto:ataria.sharman@medsci.co.nz).

*Specific reports (that are in addition to the annual report) may be required from education providers where programmes are granted a shorter period of accreditation or where there are conditions on accreditation.*

