



Chair Report 2017

- **New Website Completed** - Well done to Becca Washbourn, Zeald and the whole MHANZ committee for this long awaited achievement. Multiple new tools including photo gallery and improved forum. Significant investment given our not for profit status
- **IPPHE** – Anne and Mary were invited to attend the International Panel on Patient Handling Ergonomics day by Mike Fray, after the VA conference in Phoenix. Subsequently MHANZ are invited to join the Linked in group and discuss the possibility of IPPHE being the host for an association of associations. Slides will be available on the website
- **International Journal for Safe Patient Handling and Mobility (IJSPHM)** - agreement formally signed on the 30th of March. Number reliant for costs and to be reviewed annually. MHANZ acknowledged at the VA conference in the USA as inaugural international partners. Request from Journal team to ask what kind of research do we want to see in there
- **Post Graduate Qualification** - Second cohort commenced January 2016, likely to be run every year at AUT and Dr Fiona Trevelyan to update us today
- **Road Show 2018 Planning** - to run from the 2nd - 9th of November 2018. Venues booked, speakers already starting to be booked. Aim for free attendance but sponsorship will need to cover all costs and be committed to by the end of 2017 to be viable
- **Michele A'Court** – remains our committed patron and sends her apologies but is joining us on the road show in 2018
- **2018 AGM** – suggest to take place in Rotorua as well attended during 2015 road show and good opportunity to extend outside of Auckland
- **Accreditation and Partnership with the Association of Safe Patient Handling Professionals (ASPHP)** – special membership and accreditation rates for MHANZ members continues, well done Eleanor Barrett upon completion of Associate level! The organisation have repeated their commitment to mentor MHANZ members during the VA conference meetings

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