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Dear Kanny

Re: Medical Council of New Zealand's draft revised statement on Information, choice of treatment and informed consent

The New Zealand Society of Anaesthetists (NZSA) welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback on the above MCNZ consultation.

About the New Zealand Society of Anaesthetists

The NZSA is a professional medical education society which represents over 600 medical anaesthetists in New Zealand. Our members include specialist anaesthetists in public and private practice, and trainee anaesthetists. We facilitate and promote education and research into anaesthesia and advocate for the professional interests of our members and the safety of their patients. As an advocacy organisation we develop submissions, work collaboratively with key stakeholders, and foster networks of anaesthetists nationwide. The NZSA, established in 1948, also has strong global connections, and is a member of the Society of the World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists (WFSA).

Overview

The NZSA is supportive of the revised statement and its aim to promote a more patient centred approach. We have provided some comments on proposed changes to the statement in the enclosed MCNZ form.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. We are happy to answer any questions on our submission if required.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathryn Hagen", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dr Kathryn Hagen
President