

PCNNZ Virtual Seminar

Thursday 20th August 2026

Day's Programme

9:00am	Opening / Welcome / Karakia / Housekeeping	
9:05am	John Kleinsman , Bioethicist and Director, Nathaniel Centre for Bioethics, Wellington <i>Considerations in ethical decision making in palliative care</i>	
9:40am	Kate Dupper , NP, Franklin Hospice <i>A personal journey towards Collaboration – Palliative Care & Assisted Dying</i>	
10:15am	Sian Simmons , NP, Te Whatu Ora – Te Toka Tumai Auckland <i>Heart Failure Management in Palliative care</i>	
10:50am	Break	
11:10am	Shelly Moloney & Gail Willis , Hospice Eastern Bay of Plenty <i>Te Kaha and beyond - palliative care provision in the easternmost point of Te Ika-a-Māui / North Island</i>	
11:30am	Sam Edney , CNS, Te Whatu Ora Southern <i>Ketamine for existential distress: Perspectives from Palliative Care prescribers</i>	
12:05pm	Nikki Grae , Senior Manager, Health Quality & Safety Commission <i>DEWS: Deterioration and Early Warning System</i>	
12:40pm	Lunch	
1:15pm	Di Perenara (on behalf of Te Whatu Ora Palliative Care Equity Working Group) <i>Equity in Palliative Care- The Pōwhiri Model</i>	
1:50pm	Jo Hendrickson , NP, Hospice Marlborough <i>Managing refractory nausea: Where do we start?</i>	
2:25pm	Shireen Tresslor , Otago Community Hospice <i>Psychological aspects of COPD and implications for practice</i>	
3:00pm	Break	
3:15pm	Claire Russell , Spiritual Care Coordinator, Te Omanga Hospice <i>Growing palliative nurses spiritual care conversations</i>	
3:50pm	Pip Hiles & Hannah Thorpe , Nelson Marlborough DHB <i>Under Pressure- An end of life palliative community case study. What happened? What worked? What's the learning?</i>	
4:10pm	Vicky Chennells , CNS, Rei Kōtuku, Children's Palliative Care, Wellington <i>Bringing accessible education in Paediatric Palliative Care to Aotearoa New Zealand</i>	
4:30pm	Closing	

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