

# ICPSA NATIONAL ANNUAL AGREEMENT REVIEW

## Email to contract-holders from DHB Pharmacy Portfolio Managers

**Date:** 12-13 November

**Subject line:** Invitation: ICPSA contract National Review 2018-19

Kia ora

Under our Integrated Community Pharmacy Services Agreement (ICPSA), the 20 District Health Boards will run a National Annual Agreement Review each year, to be completed by 1 July so any variations can take effect on the contract anniversary date of 1 October.

The Review will look at the nationally-consistent parts and Service Schedules in the agreement, and may also review Service Schedules in Schedule 3B. It will also consider reasonable cost pressure adjustments. Further information about the review can be found in the [Terms of Reference on the TAS website](#)

As a contract-holder, you have the right to participate in the National Review either directly, or through a representative.

### 2018-19 Review and your representation

***Plans for the 2018-19 Review are advancing, and the following sector representatives are participating: Pharmacy Guild of New Zealand, Green Cross Health, Nirvana Health, Pharmacy Partners and Countdown.***

***If you are happy with one of the organisations listed above representing you, you need take no further action.***

If however, you would like to

- nominate another organisation or person to represent you
- OR you would like to represent yourself

***please email [pharmacy@tas.health.nz](mailto:pharmacy@tas.health.nz) by 5.00pm Monday 19 November with the name of your representative.***

If you are nominating a person or an organisation not listed above, please ensure ***before*** you contact us, that the person or organisation you wish to represent you is happy to do so.

### Requirements for people or organisations participating in the National Review

Details about what will be required of people participating in the Review can be found in the [Terms of Reference](#).

People or organisations participating in the Review should be able to attend, either physically or electronically, several meetings with representatives of the 20 DHBs in Wellington. The first meeting has been scheduled for Monday 3 December, and the rest will be scheduled over coming months.

### Note: Your representative in local service change discussions

Please note that the person or organisation who represents you in the National Annual Agreement Review, can differ from who you choose to represent you in discussions with your local DHB about proposed changes to local services or new local services. As with the National Review, you can choose to represent yourself in local discussions.

Thank you for your support as we prepare for our first National Annual Agreement Review.

Ngā mihi

***DHB Pharmacy Portfolio Manager***