

REPORT TO APANZ COUNCIL, OCTOBER 2024

From the Chair of the Ethics and Professional Standards Committee

In July our committee met for the first time in person since the beginning of my tenure as committee chair, to discuss ideas for our work.

At this meeting we decided to brand ourselves as an ethics “Helpdesk” for members, offering support and consultation on ethical matters, and placed an notice in the July newsletter, to this effect.

Despite this, no flurry of ethics queries or concerns has been forthcoming.

Since this, I have been involved in responding to queries from just three members regarding ethics issues they are facing in their practices, and one from a member of the public who was concerned about the conduct of a member, whom I directed to HDC and PBANZ.

I continue to enjoy the opportunities this role offers for me to learn, and to offer support to members, who are generally very appreciative of a listening ear and someone to think with them in what are often stressful or alarming moments.

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