



meeting on a regular basis throughout the year. With the development over the last two years of the National ACP Supervisors Group, as a requirement for ACP supervisors, when they have an ACP candidate they are working with, to attend the National ACP Supervisors Group meetings, this fulfils the requirement of being in an ACP supervisors' group. We continue to have good attendance to these meetings, and the group continue to meet once every two months throughout the year, facilitated by Diane Zwimpfer and John O'Connor, with the support of the rest of the ACP committee.

In addition, as an optional extra, ACP supervisors are encouraged to form their own smaller peer groups, given that the National Supervisors Group is larger and may not always be able to offer the more intimate attention that a smaller peer group might offer. These peer groups no longer need to be regional. Regional groups can still of course form and continue and have the advantage of being able to meet in person. Membership of a small peer group is now entirely optional.

We are delighted that new ACP supervisors have recently successfully applied to become ACP supervisors in recent months, further growing the strength of the ACP supervision group.

Additional ACP candidate's support

Catriona continues to facilitate the optional ACP candidates Zoom group to support candidates learning, and we will also be running a further training day for candidates in the second half of 2025.

Updating of ACP handbook

Sue Morrison has been regularly editing and updating the ACP handbook, and in particular stating clearly the pre-requisites candidates must fulfil prior to application for entry into the ACP and making more explicit the qualities candidates need to demonstrate at their initial interviews. Upon hearing the successful outcome of our PBANZ accreditation application we have announced refinements to the ACP training process, all of which enhance the training process while retaining the integrity and heart of our apprenticeship training pathway. Many thanks to Sue for her dedicated work on the handbook.

Conclusion

The ACP committee remains dedicated to maintaining the integrity and standard of the ACP training pathway. The regularity of enquiries regarding this training pathway, and the quality of candidates demonstrated in final panels and in initial interviews, is very satisfying. We continue to aim to ensure that the ACP is a rich and valuable learning process for psychotherapists in Aotearoa New Zealand.