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Kidney Health New Zealand welcomes new National Education Manager

Kidney Health New Zealand would like to welcome Erica Fairbank to the role of National Education Manager. Erica has 17 years of renal nursing experience with a background of dialysis nursing, renal nurse educator and clinical charge nurse manager across North Shore and Auckland Hospitals and her native Netherlands. She has experience in educating renal teams and patients and in producing resources for both.

Erica will be answering Kidney Health New Zealand's 0800 phone line as well as responding to web-based enquiries and managing Kidney Health New Zealand's substantive range of resources including the website, brochures and video resources. She will also be working closely with regional patient support groups, GP practices and DHB renal teams throughout the country.



Michael Papesch, Chairman of the KHNZ Board, said "The Board are delighted with Erica's appointment. She brings vast experience and energy to the National Education Manager role and we look forward to introducing her to our stakeholders in the coming months."

Erica will commence her role on 28 November 2019 and will be based on the North Shore, Auckland.

About Kidney Health New Zealand

Kidney Health New Zealand has 40 years' experience advocating for better kidney health for all New Zealanders. We provide education and support for kidney patients and whanau and develop resources for doctors concerning the treatment and management of patients with kidney disease. We advocate at a national level for better management and treatment of kidney disease, including organ donation, and liaise with and support regional patient groups across the country.

The role of Kidney Health New Zealand:

- Provide education and support in the recognition of the symptoms of kidney disease.
- Provide resource information concerning the treatment and management of patients with kidney disease.
- To fund research into the prevention, early detection and cure of kidney disease.
- To promote the donation of kidneys and other organs and tissue for transplantation.
- Liaise with and support Patient Support Groups.

For more about Kidney Health New Zealand go to www.kidneys.co.nz or contact Michael Campbell on 021 618 615 or michael@kidneys.co.nz