

ACHIEVING PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL GOALS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR 2023

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Welcome to the first issue of the College's Asia Pacific Journal of Health Management for 2023. I trust the year is treating you well and you are well on your way to achieving professional and personal goals set at the beginning of the year.

The College is moving forward with a successful year, too. In March we held a hugely successful Health Leadership Conference in Melbourne with well over 200 attendees. The focus on the common issues of leadership, workforce concerns and health system sustainability as well as aged care leadership and management was appreciated by all who participated. These issues of Workforce and Sustainability will be explored in more detail at the ACHSM Asia-Pacific Health Leadership Congress to be held in Canberra, 11-13 October 2023. Please put a hold on those dates in your diary and register for this Congress.

The College Board is near to completing a full strategic planning process for 2023-2026, with the elements of a bold strategy for the future, to be launched a bit later this year. In everything the College does we aim to support your career and how you choose or need to grow professionally. We are committed to supporting great health leadership across the health system and the profession of health management. It is the unique body of knowledge that we foster and develop through such vehicles as this Journal. I recently visited with members of the New Zealand Branch and met with NZ Health CEO Margie Apa. It was great to see the enthusiasm of the branch councilors in Auckland and Christchurch. Please keep 14-15 March 2024 for our

one-day conference in Auckland and associated site visits/study tours.

We recently launched to College members our annual free Mentoring Program with senior members mentoring others in a network that helps us all to grow and move forward. There may still be time to register your interest in being part of the 2023 program. A bit later in the year we will be launching a set of learning modules for aged care leadership with a focus on authentic leadership. And of course, don't miss out on catching some of our free to members webcasts this year – it offers great value to ACHSM members.

Thank you for spending time catching up with the latest research in health leadership and management through the articles you will find here in this Journal. Your commitment to lifelong learning is the cornerstone of our great profession.

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