

CHILD & YOUTH HEALTH NATIONAL CLINICAL NETWORK

NEURODEVELOPMENT NETWORK NEWS



The Paediatric Society of New Zealand
Te Kāhui Mātai Arotamariki o Aotearoa



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Kia ora

Welcome to this **Neurodevelopment Workstream** update.

Our workstream continues to focus on improving outcomes for tamariki and rangatahi with physical, sensory, intellectual, and neurodevelopmental divergences. As part of our transition into the Child and Youth Health National Clinical Network (CYHNCN), our name has changed - but our commitment to strengthening neurodevelopmental care, collaboration, and knowledge-sharing across Aotearoa remains the same.

We are keen to stay connected with the wider paediatric neurodevelopment workforce and welcome anyone interested to join our extended network. If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please [subscribe here](#).

In this edition, we share details about the 2026 Neurodevelopment Satellite Day and highlight planning underway for the 2027–2028 Lunch and Learn programme.



The Child and Youth Health
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NEURODEVELOPMENT SATELLITE DAY 2026



PSNZ Annual Meeting | Monday 9 November | Massey University, Wellington

This year's **Neurodevelopment Satellite Day** will focus on navigating complexity, strengthening partnerships, and using data to shape better care for tamariki and rangatahi with developmental disabilities. The programme features four expert presentations:

- Navigating Complexity in Developmental Disability
- The Power of Partnership Through Transition
- What's Current in the Disability Sector?
- Data-Driven Developmental Paediatrics

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

If you are attending the PSNZ Annual Meeting, we invite you to join the **Neurodevelopment Workstream breakfast meeting** on 11 November. An invitation will be included with your conference registration. If you do not receive one, please contact neurodevelopment@paediatrics.org.nz.

Update on Naming Conventions

As part of our transition into the Child and Youth Health National Clinical Network (CYHNCN) under Health New Zealand's National Clinical Network framework, our contract now requires alignment with CYHNCN naming conventions. The Neurodevelopment Clinical Network is now formally known as the Neurodevelopment Workstream. Our activities and priorities remain the same, with continued focus on improving neurodevelopmental care and strengthening collaboration across the sector.

Lunch & Learn 2027 - 2028

Planning is underway for the next two years of our Lunch and Learn education series. If you have research to share or ideas for topics that would benefit colleagues working in neurodevelopment, we would love to hear from you.

Please get in touch by email to

neurodevelopment@paediatrics.org.nz.

A small number of speaker slots are still available.

Lunch and Learn sessions run monthly from February to November, with each cycle including a main presentation followed by an interactive knowledge translation session. Our mailing list now includes more than 400 members across health, education, and Oranga Tamariki, reflecting the broad interest in neurodevelopmental learning and collaboration.



You can watch past sessions on the [Lunch & Learn YouTube channel](#).

ASDP Opportunity: NZ Online Peer Discussion Group

We're sharing the following opportunity on behalf of the Australasian Society for Developmental Paediatrics (ASDP).

ASDP is launching a monthly online peer discussion group for its New Zealand members in 2027, focused on peer support, case discussion, shared learning and professional connection.

For more information and to join the ASDP, visit: <https://asdp.au/>. ASDP members can email admin@asdp.au to register their interest to join the NZ Online Peer Discussion Group.

Contact Us

Thank you to everyone who continues to contribute to the work of the Neurodevelopment Workstream.

If you would like to know more, please get in touch via email to neurodevelopment@paediatrics.org.nz.

For more information about the Neurodevelopment Workstream's priorities, resources, and mahi, please visit the [Neurodevelopment Workstream page](#) on the PSNZ website. We encourage you to share this widely throughout your local networks.



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