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**College of Surgeons**  
*Te Whare Piki Ora o Māhutonga*

**SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITION PROSPECTUS**

# Surgery 2025: Enhancing quality and compassion in surgery

4-5 September  
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## Welcome from the conveners



Kia ora koutou,

On behalf of the organising committee, we warmly invite you to support this year's Aotearoa New Zealand Annual Surgeons' Meeting.

This two-day event, held at Parliament Wellington presents an opportunity for connection, reflection and the sharing of knowledge bringing together surgeons from across RACS nine specialties and around the motu (country).

The theme is **Enhancing quality and compassion in surgery**.

Among others, we'll hear from Michael Webster (Privacy Commissioner), Professor Dame Helen Stokes-Lampard (Chief Medical Officer at Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora) and Tom de Koning (Group Manager, Future of Health Workforce HNZ | TWO).

A special highlight of the whole event will be a special presentation by Dr Jo Prendergast, a comedian and psychiatrist, on the Friday.

Like our previous annual meetings, Surgery 2025 happens largely due to the generous support of our exhibitors and sponsors. This prospectus outlines the sponsorship and exhibition opportunities available to your company at the conference.

Whether you choose to share advertising material with our attendees or join our suppliers' exhibition and mix with our delegates face-to-face, you will find your investment a unique opportunity to get in front of decision-makers in the industry you supply.

Please get in touch with MTANZ and they will be able to help you find the best promotion package for you. We look forward to welcoming your company to our meeting in Wellington.

Ngā mihi nui,

Sharon English, Sarah Rennie and Mike Bergin

RACS Surgery 2025 Convenors

From top: Sharon English,  
Sarah Rennie and Mike Bergin

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## Event details

### Why sponsor or attend Surgery 2025?

This event is the highlight of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons' (RACS) calendar in Aotearoa New Zealand. It attracts surgeons from all nine of RACS' surgical specialties from across the motu. We typically get between 80-100 delegates attending.

This is a unique opportunity for you to gain brand awareness and engage with our attendees and wider RACS Aotearoa New Zealand membership base in various ways in the lead up to, at actual event and post event.

Involvement with Surgery 2025 will provide your company with:

- Face-to-face direct opportunities with our attendees at the exhibition, welcome function and throughout the program at speaker sessions
- Two days of exhibition during delegate breaks, including the Welcome function
- Opportunities to increase your client base
- Opportunities to increase brand awareness.
- Business networking opportunities,
- Opportunities to promote your company to our wider RACS Aotearoa New Zealand membership through RACS digital publications, website and our social media channels.

We look forward to your involvement.

### Conference theme

This year's theme is enhancing quality and compassion in surgical practice.

**Thursday** focuses on the foundations of quality care—workforce planning and what can be done, the challenges of setting up surgical registries, and the importance of non-technical skills from the perspective of the health and disability commissioner and the Privacy Commissioner.

**Friday** takes us to engaging sessions focusing on equity and empathy in the surgical system. We'll examine waiting list disparities, the role of compassionate leadership in supporting both patients and clinicians, and how the system responds when things go wrong. A special highlight of Friday will be a presentation by Dr Jo Prendergast, a comedian and psychiatrist.

See the full list of speakers on pages 7.



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## About RACS

The Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (RACS), formed in 1927, is the leading advocate for surgical standards, professionalism and surgical education in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand. We represent nine surgical specialties: Cardiothoracic Surgery, General Surgery, Neurosurgery, Orthopaedic Surgery, Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery, Paediatric Surgery, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Urology and Vascular Surgery.

While our head office is in Melbourne, we have a busy national team covering Aotearoa New Zealand based in Wellington. Find out more about RACS and the Aotearoa New Zealand team.

### RACS Digital Audience



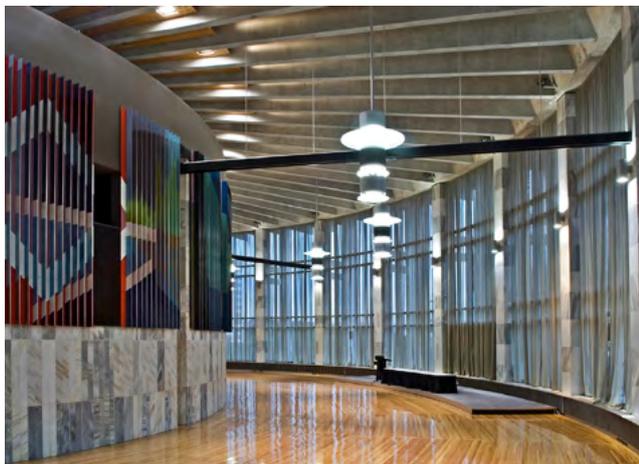
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## About the venue

This year's meeting will be held at parliament in the Banquet Hall on the first floor in the Beehive. All morning teas, lunches, afternoon teas and the welcome reception will all be held in the exhibition area in the Banquet Hall.



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## Social events

There are two social functions at Surgery 2025. Both will be held on Thursday 4 September.

**Welcome function (1 hour approx.):** end of the first day of the program. This will be held in the Exhibition area. All delegates will likely attend, providing an opportunity for direct face-to-face interaction with the attendees, speakers, other exhibitors and convenors, as well as RACS staff.

**Conference dinner:** Thursday 4 September, Legislative Council Chamber, New Zealand Parliament, Wellington. Delegates, exhibitors and speakers have the opportunity to continue to network at the optional dinner, held in the stunning Legislative Council Chamber. This presents an opportunity for our sponsors and exhibitors to interact in person. Please note tickets to this event will need to be purchased and are \$165 (incl. alcohol) or \$132 (excl. alcohol) per person. *Prices excl. GST.*



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## Event programme Subject to change

Thursday 4 September	
9:00 – 9:30	Registration
9:30 – 9:45	Mihi whakataua
9:45 – 10:45	<b>Session One: Key Health Leaders</b> Helen Stokes Lampard Chief Medical Officer, Te Whatu Ora Andrew Connolly Deputy Chair, Health New Zealand Board
10:45 – 11:15	<b>Morning Tea</b>
11:15 – 12:45	<b>Session Two: Workforce Planning</b> Tom de Koning Group Manager, Future of Health Workforce, Te Whatu Ora Helen Stokes Lampard Chief Medical Officer, Te Whatu Ora Kesara Wickremesekera Vascular Surgeon and President, Vascular Society New Zealand Michelle Locke Plastic Surgeon and President, New Zealand Association of Plastic Surgeons Mark Fraundorfer Urologist and Chair, Aotearoa New Zealand Section USANZ Panel discussion
12:45 – 13:45	<b>Lunch</b>
13:45 – 15:15	<b>Session Three: Registries</b> Eva Fong Urologist, Te Whatu Ora Waitemata & ONESIXONE Stephen Mark Urologist and Clinical Lead for Urology at Te Whatu Ora Wairarapa Michelle Locke Plastic Surgeon and President, New Zealand Association of Plastic Surgeons Panel discussion
15:15 – 15:45	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15:45 – 17:15	<b>Session Four: Tips for a Savvy Surgeon</b> Lynley Anderson Professor and previous Deputy Dean – Dunedin School of Medicine Michael Webster Privacy Commissioner, OPC Morag McDowell Health & Disability Commissioner
17:15 – 17:30	Award Presentations
17:30 – 18:30	Welcome Function
19:00 for 19:30	Dinner
Friday 5 September	
8:30 – 10:00	<b>Session Five: Consent and Inequities in the Surgical System</b> Carlton Irving Director of Māori Health and Consumer, Te Tāhū Hauora Hamish Gray Clinical Chief Advisor, Ministry of Health
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Morning Tea</b>
10:30 – 12:15	<b>Session Six: Compassionate Leadership</b> Robin Youngson Practitioner & Trainer, Neuroscience of Healing Sarah Rennie General Surgeon and Aotearoa New Zealand Surgical Advisor for RACS Sarah Jackson National Chief, Quality & Patient Safety Souella Cumming FCA, ONZM, Independent Director
12:15 – 13:15	<b>Lunch</b>
13:15 – 13:45	Audrey Sonerson Director-General of Health and Chief Executive, Ministry of Health
13:45 – 14:30	Jo Prendergast Psychiatrist, Author and Award-Winning Comedian
14:30 – 15:00	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
15:00 – 17:00	<b>Session Seven: Dealing with Mistakes</b> Peter Davidson Urologist (retired) Heather McKenzie Coroner, Dunedin Adam Holloway Partner, Wotton + Kearney, MPS Lawyer Elizabeth Masters Medical Council New Zealand Deputy Registrar Theo Baker Chairperson, New Zealand Health Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal Panel discussion

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## Keynote speaker

### Jo Prendergast

Dr Jo Prendergast is a psychiatrist, author, comedian and breast cancer survivor.

Jo graduated from Otago Medical School New Zealand in 1992 and did specialty training as a psychiatrist in Sydney Australia, obtaining her RANZCP fellowship in 2000. She has worked in a wide range of settings with teenagers and adults in public mental health services and private practice in both New Zealand and Australia.

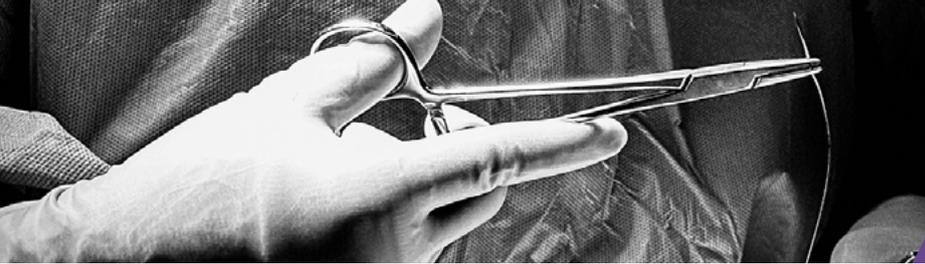
Jo's book about supporting the mental health of young people *'When Life Sucks'* was released by Harper Collins in New Zealand and Australia in September 2023 and the UK June 2024. The book was written using Jo's unique voice as a psychiatrist, comedian and parent of teenagers.

Jo started standup comedy in 2017 at the age of 48. Jo was nominated for Breakthrough Comedian at the NZ Comedy Guild Awards 2020. She performed her multi award-winning debut comedy show *'The Cool Mum'* at Edinburgh Fringe in 2024. Jo's second solo show *'Cancer and Cartwheels'* toured to Adelaide Fringe and Melbourne, Brisbane, Sydney and NZ Comedy Festivals in 2025. Jo is currently developing her third show *'Dr Jo Prendergast is #coping'* for 2026/2027 festival touring.

Jo tours regularly around Australia and New Zealand as a conference speaker and comedian.

*Keen to sponsor our keynote speaker? Head to the sponsorship packages to learn more.*





## Exhibition packages

SPACE ONLY   3 x 2 MTR SITE		
MTANZ Member	NZD \$2250 +GST	Power: NZD \$40 +GST
Non MTANZ Member	NZD \$2600 +GST	Power: NZD \$40 +GST

### Package inclusions:

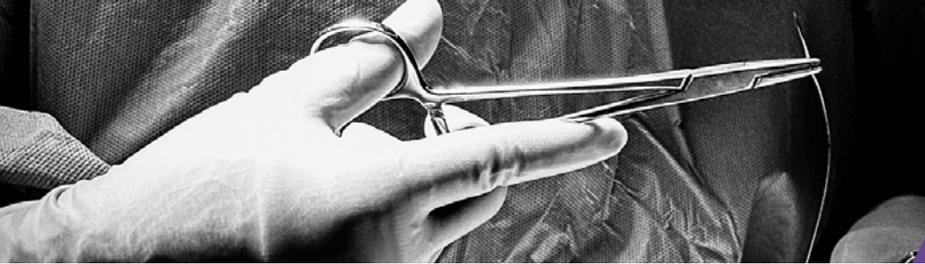
- 1 personnel registration
- 1 x trestle table
- 1 x tablecloth
- 2 chairs
- Delegate list (provided digitally 5 working days prior to the event)
- Ticket to the welcome function on Thursday evening, held in the Exhibition area
- Access to the program sessions, including the session by Dr Jo Prendergast
- Company listing and product summary in the conference programme.

All morning teas, lunches, afternoon teas and the welcome function will be held in the exhibition area. Refer to the programme for timings.

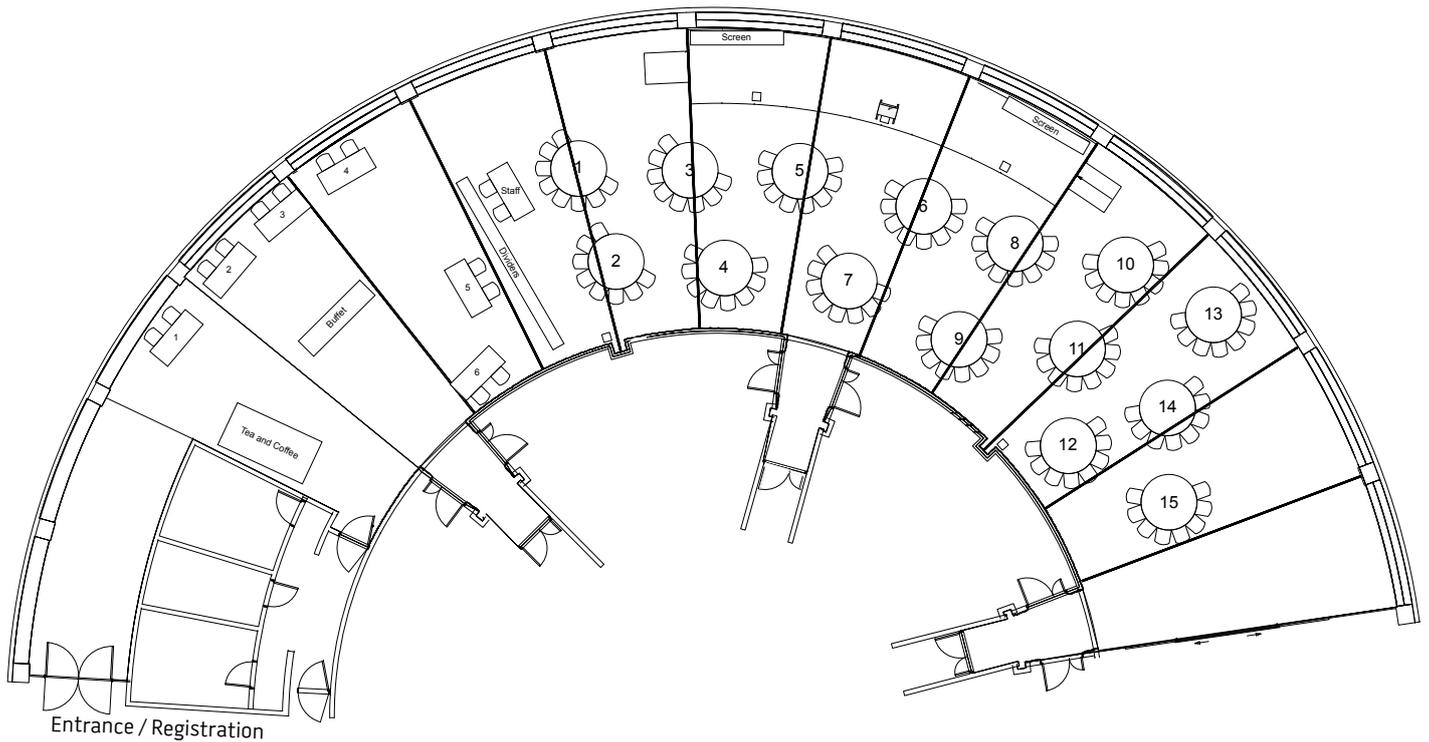
### Additional personnel:

You can register additional personnel at NZ\$220.00 +GST per person. Please request this in the booking form.

You will receive the exhibitor registration form upon confirmation of your stand booking. Please register all conference and social function attendees with MTANZ ([britta@mtanz.org.nz](mailto:britta@mtanz.org.nz))



## Floor plan



The Banquet Hall  
Thursday 4th - Friday 5th September  
RACS - 15 Banquet Tables - 8pax

## Exhibition timings

### Thursday 4 September

Pack in: 7.30 - 9:00

Morning tea: 10:45 - 11:15

Lunch: 12:45 - 13:45

Afternoon tea: 15:15 - 15:45

Welcome function: 17:30 - 18:30

### Friday 5 September

Morning tea: 10:00 - 10:30

Lunch: 12:15 - 13:15

Afternoon tea: 14:30 - 15:00

Pack out: 15:00 onwards. (Please do not pack out prior to this time).

*If any trolleys are required, pack out will need to be after the conference has finished.*

## Sponsorship opportunities

*\*please note, sponsorship opportunities do not include an exhibition booth*

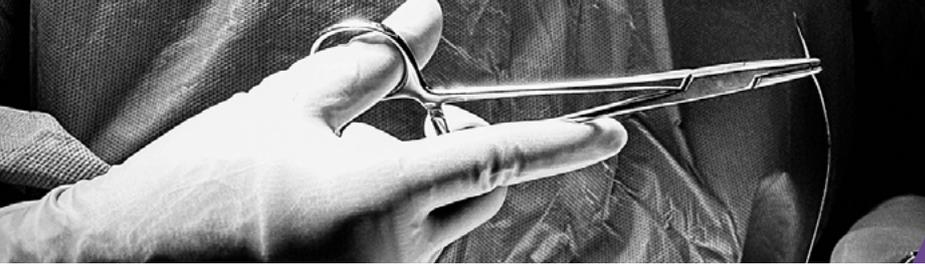
	Premium SPONSOR <sup>1</sup> \$5,165.00 EXCL GST (exclusive)	Gold SPONSOR \$3,620.00 EXCL GST	Silver SPONSOR \$2,175.00 EXCL GST
Company logo displayed on the conference holding slide during the conference in a prominent position	✓	✓	✓
Overriding prominence during the conference including acknowledgement during opening and closing ceremonies. (Banner to be provided by sponsor at own cost) (Subject to organising committee approval)	✓	—	—
Company branded banner (Max size 2000mm H x 600mm W) at entrance doors (banner to be provided at sponsors own cost)	✓	—	—
Company acknowledgement as a sponsor on conference material on the New Zealand web page and the programme <sup>2</sup> with a link to your website	✓	✓	—
Company Sponsored article in the NZ newsletter, Cutting Edge <sup>3</sup> during 2025 (artwork to be supplied at sponsor's own cost)	Full Page 2 Issues	Half Page 1 Issue	—
If an exhibition space is purchased as well, priority choice of single space in prime location (3m x 2m booth) <sup>4</sup>	✓	✓	—
Complimentary stand registration for company representatives <sup>5</sup>	2	1	—
Delegate circulation list including name and city/ town (excludes delegates who have not agreed to release of their name and city/town)	✓	✓	✓
Opportunity to include a 30 second video (YouTube link) or 50 word spiel in 1 edition of Surgery 2025 solus emails to RACS Aotearoa New Zealand database	✓	—	—
Complimentary access to all sessions (unless presenters request otherwise)	✓	✓	✓
Social media post on RACS Social media channels acknowledging sponsor	✓	✓	✓
Logo on footer in Surgery 2025 emails (pre, during and post event)	✓	—	—
Acknowledgement in Surgical News post wrap article with your logo	✓	—	—
Company banner in Fax Mentis (RACS Bi-National)	✓	—	—
Company banner in Cutting Edge email (AoNZ RACS publication)	✓	✓	—
Logo on footer in Surgery 2025 advertisement in Cutting Edge	✓	✓	✓
Company name acknowledgement in Surgery 2025 Media Releases	✓	—	—

<sup>2</sup> The inclusion of company logos and acknowledgement in the programme is subject to time of receipt of payment.

<sup>3</sup> Cutting Edge newsletter is published quarterly and distributed to all NZ Fellows and Trainees.

<sup>4</sup> Exhibition space (purchased separately from sponsorship) is allocated at the discretion of the organising committee and subject to availability at the time of application.

<sup>5</sup> Extra meeting registrations, inclusive of the Welcome Reception, can be purchased for additional representatives for \$220.00 + GST per person



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## Session sponsorship

The session sponsorship is designed for your company with the opportunity to include tailored promotional advertising in a specific session.

Sessions and functions available for sponsorship are:

- Workforce Planning
- Registries
- Taking consent
- Compassionate Leadership
- Dealing with Mistakes

### Session sponsorship \$2150 (excl. GST) – what you will get:

- Session naming rights
- Company logo on holding slide
- Opportunity to introduce the session
- Tagged company name on social media promotion and in email communications
- Company logo, short description and acknowledgement in the ASM programme



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## Keynote Speaker sponsorship

### Speaker sponsorship \$1090 (excl. GST)

We invite a sponsor for our keynote speaker, Dr Jo Prendergast—a psychiatrist, author, comedian, and breast cancer survivor. Your company will gain valuable visibility alongside a voice that inspires and connects with our audience.

What you will get:

- Opportunity to introduce Jo Prendergast
- Recognition as the ‘keynote speaker sponsor’
- Company logo on the introduction slide
- Tagged company name and logo on social media promotion and in email communications as the keynote speaker sponsor
- Company logo, short description and acknowledgement in the ASM programme.



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## APPLICATION TO EXHIBIT AND SPONSOR

### SECTION 1: COMPANY DETAILS

Company Name:

Contact Name:

Billing Address:

City:	Postcode:
Email (all correspondence will be sent by email):	Mobile:

### SECTION 2: My company would like to (tick all that apply):

Exhibit

Please tick if you require a trestle table and chairs

Platinum sponsor

Gold sponsor

Silver sponsor

Session sponsor. Please list topic you'd like to sponsor:

Keynote Speaker sponsor: Jo Prendergast

### SECTION 3: EXHIBITION BOOKING

Number of sites

Preferred sites

1. 2. 3.

Competitor Avoidance

Will you require power? NZD \$40+GST

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Do you need to purchase additional delegates to attend? Yes No

If so, how many additional?

My company would like to attend the conference dinner Yes No

How many tickets do you require?

### CANCELLATIONS

Cancellations must be received in writing by the meeting organiser. Payments will not be refunded unless sponsorship is able to be resold.

Privacy Policy details can be viewed on the RACS website at <https://www.surgeons.org/en/disclaimer-and-privacy>

By signing this application Exhibitors and Sponsoring companies are agreeing to adhere to the guidelines of the Medical Technology Association of NZ Code of Ethics 7th Edition 2021. A copy of the Code is available on the MTANZ Website: [www.mtanz.org.nz/MTANZ-Code-of-Ethics/6701/](http://www.mtanz.org.nz/MTANZ-Code-of-Ethics/6701/)

### PAYMENT DETAILS

Payments to be made to MTANZ via bank transfer or credit card.

Please note: A surcharge applies to credit card payments.

### Terms and Conditions

We accept the sponsorship terms and conditions in this prospectus

Date:

Authorised Signature:

Printed Authorised Name:

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## Terms and conditions

These Terms and Conditions will form the basis of an agreement between you (Exhibitor) and Medical Technology Association of NZ (MTANZ). Please read them carefully. By signing and returning the Application to Exhibit form you are deemed to have read and accepted these Terms and Conditions.

### (1) Booking and Payment Terms

Exhibition stands can only be booked on receipt of the signed Application to Exhibit form and will be allocated on a first in-first served basis following the confirmation of sponsor's stands and MTANZ members.

Upon receiving your completed Application to Exhibit form, you will be sent an email confirmation for your application. Subsequently, MTANZ will generate an invoice for the exhibition and/or sponsorship expenses.

All monies due must be received prior to commencement of the conference/exhibition. Should any monies be outstanding at the commencement of the conference/exhibition the Exhibition Manager has the right to refuse access to the conference/exhibition.

If the Exhibitor defaults in payment of any invoice when due, they will be liable to pay penalty interest of 2.5% per calendar month. The Exhibitor will indemnify MTANZ against all MTANZ's legal costs and collection costs incurred by MTANZ in relation to recovering or collecting any outstanding money due under these Terms and Conditions.

The Organising Committee reserves the right to refuse any Application to Exhibit.

Subletting of space will not be permitted.

All monies are to be paid in New Zealand dollars (NZ\$).

### (2) Cancellation

Once a signed Application to Exhibit is confirmed by MTANZ, the following cancellation fees will apply:

- a) In the event of cancellation 50 days or less prior to the date of the conference/exhibition 50% of the stand fee will apply.
- b) In the event of cancellation 10 working days or less prior to the date of the conference 100% of the stand fee will apply.
- c) If attending personnel are cancelled less than 7 working days prior to the date of the conference the full exhibitor registration and social functions will be charged.

### (3) Couriers and Storage

Arranging couriers and transportation of exhibition equipment is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor. Costs associated with storage of equipment is also the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor.

### (4) Exhibition Space

Alcohol - Alcohol cannot be served from stands. Alcohol is not permitted in stand prizes.

Cleaning - Stands and exhibits shall be kept clean and tidy throughout the conference/exhibition. Cleaning of the stand is the responsibility of the Exhibitor.

Custom Built Stands - The Exhibition Manager must be advised if a custom built stand is being installed. This information is requested in the Application to Exhibit form.

Damages - The Exhibitor shall take all reasonable care when installing/ dismantling its equipment and stand as not to cause damage to the venue carpet, walls and floors and the prefabrication booths supplied by the MTANZ contractor, including the panels, fascia and spotlights.

The Exhibitor will be responsible for any direct loss caused by the inappropriate installation/dismantlement of equipment and/or stand.

Floorplan - MTANZ reserves the right to modify the floor plan to accommodate space sales or change as necessary. While MTANZ will use its best endeavours to consult the Exhibitors when modifying the floor plan, MTANZ is not obliged to do so.

Noise and Obstructions - Exhibitors may advertise within their stand area and may use amplifiers or videos, but at all times the noise level must be reasonable and not detract from other exhibitors displays. Exhibitors must not obstruct the aisles and public walking areas. The organiser may prohibit or regulate any noise level that it considers in its sole discretion is an annoyance or disadvantage to other exhibitors.

Where videos are used, adequate space must be allowed within the stand space and must not cause obstruction in the aisle.

Promotional Material - No promotional material may be distributed (e.g. on seats in plenary sessions) or displayed outside of the stand area without permission of the Exhibition Manager, in consultation with the Conference organiser.

Stand Space - Exhibitors may set up their demonstrations within their purchased stand space only. Aisles and walkways must be kept clear at all times. If any Exhibitor occupies space outside the parameters as indicated on the floor plan, a fee that reflects the additional area being occupied will apply.

Unoccupied Space - Any space that is paid for but not claimed and occupied by the commencement of the conference/exhibition can be

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reassigned by MTANZ without refund to the Exhibitor.

## (5) Exhibitor Registration

All personnel must be registered and report to the MTANZ desk on arrival. Failure to wear a name badge may result in the Exhibitor being requested to leave the venue.

## (6) Health and Safety

**Health and Safety Legislation:** The Exhibitor must comply with all health and safety legislative requirements, including the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 (HSWA) and all related legislative instruments, guidance and codes of ethics (Health and Safety Legislation).

**Obligation:** The Exhibitor must ensure so far as is reasonably practicable the health and safety of its workers and any other workers whose work is influenced or directed by the Exhibitor. The exhibitor must ensure so far as is reasonably practicable that the health and safety of other persons is not put at risk from work carried out by the Exhibitor.

**The Exhibitor controls the place of work:** Under these Terms and Conditions the Exhibitor will be in control of and manage the space as indicated on the floor plan and space in fact occupied during the exhibition/conference (Exhibition Space). The Exhibitor will be responsible for all inductions and take all practicable steps to ensure the safety of all its workers, and any other parties associated with the performance of its obligations under these Terms and Conditions, including visitors, contractors, subcontractors, service providers, the public, visitors to the areas under the control of the Exhibitor and any person required to be at the Exhibition Space at any time leading up to, during and after each conference/exhibition.

**Exhibitor responsible for training its workers:** The Exhibitor is responsible for ensuring that all workers doing work for it are trained in the relevant health and safety requirements applicable to the use of the venue where an exhibition/conference is held, and have all of the necessary skills, qualifications and experience to use the venue safely.

**Audits:** The Exhibitor must take part in any health and safety audits conducted by MTANZ if requested to do so, and accept that MTANZ or an independent third party will have access to the Exhibition Space in order to review, monitor and/or audit the Exhibitor's health and safety procedures and practices for the purposes of such audits.

**Health and Safety Plan:** MTANZ and the Exhibitor shall consult, cooperate and coordinate to ensure that an appropriate health and safety management system is put in place for each exhibition/conference, including policies and procedures so as to ensure compliance with the Health and Safety Legislation.

Such system, policies and procedures shall include (without limitation):

- a) a comprehensive health and safety policy;
- b) health and safety objectives signed by a senior manager from both the Exhibitor and MTANZ;
- c) a hazard and risk register covering all hazards associated with hosting and running of an exhibition/conference;
- d) a documented instruction process for personnel involved in hosting and running an exhibition/conference covering all relevant aspects of health and safety management;
- e) a documented briefing process for representatives of the participating Exhibitors covering all relevant aspects of health and safety management, to be given at least 24 hours prior to an exhibition/conference;
- f) a documented emergency plan for the venue;
- g) a designated warden for the venue;
- h) a health and safety system that complies with Health and Safety Legislation; and
- i) appropriate health and safety signage and information, evacuation procedures and emergency equipment at the venue, which are clearly visible to all those attending an exhibition/conference; such system, policies and procedures to be notified to MTANZ at least 60 days prior to an exhibition/conference for approval.

**Exhibitor must submit documents:** The Exhibitor is required to hold on file all documents, such as, for example, a Health and Safety Plan, a completed hazard identification and control register and any associated job safety and environmental analysis, which MTANZ believes, can demonstrate to the Exhibitor's compliance with Health and Safety Legislation. The Exhibitor agrees to provide MTANZ with access to these documents if required within 5 working days of request.

**Acceptance:** The acceptance by MTANZ of a Health and Safety Plan, and the documents referred to in the preceding paragraph, will not release the Exhibitor from its responsibilities and obligations under Health and Safety Legislation or any of the requirements and conditions of these Terms and Conditions.

**Notifying Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment:** The Exhibitor is responsible for notifying the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment of any incidents as required in the Health and Safety Legislation. Copies of any notifications to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment by the Host are to be provided to NZC at the same time.

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## (7) Indemnity and Exclusion of liability

To the extent permitted at law, nothing expressed or implied in these Terms and Conditions will confer any liability on MTANZ in respect of any:

- a) indirect, consequential or special loss, damage, cost or expense suffered or incurred by the Exhibitor except to the extent that this indirect, consequential or special loss, damage, cost or expense suffered or incurred by the Exhibitor was caused directly or indirectly as a result of a breach by MTANZ of any of its obligations under this Agreement; or
- b) loss, damage, cost or expense suffered or incurred by the Exhibitor, to the extent to which this results from any act or omission by the Exhibitor.

The Exhibitor will indemnify MTANZ at all times against any loss, damage or cost excluding consequential loss or damage suffered or incurred by MTANZ as a direct result of a breach by the Exhibitor of any of its obligations under these Terms and Conditions.

## (8) Insurance

The Exhibitor will at their own expense hold adequate public liability insurance. The Exhibitor will provide proof of such insurance on request by MTANZ.

## (9) Pack-out

Exhibition pack-out times are stated under the heading "Exhibition Timings and must be adhered to.

Please note, these are subject to change, prior to conference.

## (10) Privacy

MTANZ is committed to managing and protecting personal information in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020. Personal Information collected will only be used for the purposes of conducting the exhibition/ conference or for communicating with attendees after the exhibition/ conference has concluded. Where such communications constitute commercial electronic messages within the meaning of the Unsolicited Electronic Messages Act 2007 and are by electronic means, MTANZ will only communicate with those persons who have consented to receiving such messages from MTANZ. Personal information will only be kept for as long as it is reasonably needed for the purpose for which it was collected.

We may share your personal information with official third party contractors, conference attendees and the organising committee for the purpose of assisting you with your exhibition participation and for marketing purposes (if you have consented to it). We may also be required to share your information as required by law. We take all reasonable steps to ensure that information (including personal information) collected by MTANZ is securely stored and protected. Persons have the right to access and request correction of their personal information held by us. Requests to access and or request correction of personal information should be sent to MTANZ at the address provided at the front of this Agreement.

## (11) Security

Every precaution will be taken to protect Exhibitor's equipment. However MTANZ and the venue will not accept responsibility for the loss or damage to exhibits or equipment placed at the venue. In all cases the Exhibitor must assume responsibility for damage of property, accident and injuries to employees, delegates and others.

## (12) Other Requirements

The Exhibitor/contractor/subcontractor shall ensure that all the necessary insurances and licenses are available and current and that the safety and legality of any activity carried out within the venues is beyond question.

The Exhibitor/contractor/sub-contractor must ensure that their workspace is kept neat and tidy so as to avoid any hazards or items likely to cause injury or harm to anyone.

The venue is a strictly no smoking venue and the Exhibitor must adhere to and enforce this policy and the requirements of the Smoke-free Environments Amendment Act 2003 and its amendments. Fire Exits must be kept clear at all times. Exhibitors must comply with all reasonable direction of the venue operator.

## (13) First Aid

Professional first aid service providers can be organised upon request. MTANZ will have a basic first aid kit on site.

## (14) Dangerous and Hazardous Substances

Substances that are of a dangerous, flammable, explosive or objectionable nature must not be brought into the premises without formal notification to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, MTANZ and the venue operator.

Where it is proposed to use toxic materials or fluids, the disposal of such materials requires notification to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment. The nature of the material or fluid and the quantities involved and a copy of the plan for disposal must be forwarded to MTANZ and the venue operator no later than 14 days prior to the exhibition/ conference.

No more than one day's supply of any hazardous or dangerous substance shall be stored on the stand or within the venue at any time. The remainder must be stored in closed containers in a location as per the Hazardous Substance and New Organisms Act.

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## (15) Force Majeure

In the event a strike, fire, war, government regulation, disaster, civil disorder, curtailment of transportation facilities, or Act of God should render the event execution impossible or the hall, in which the RACS AoNZ 2025 Annual Surgeons Meeting has been scheduled, unusable, refunds of exhibition and/or sponsorship payments may only be distributed once the conference organiser has officially declared in writing that the RACS AoNZ 2025 Annual Surgeons Meeting has been cancelled.

## (16) Code of Ethics

Exhibitors at this conference must adhere to the guidelines of the MTANZ Industry Code of Ethics 2021. A copy of the Code can be viewed at [www.mtanz.org.nz](http://www.mtanz.org.nz) and refer to page 13, specifically for exhibitors.

Any questions on the Terms and Conditions can be directed

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