



INTRODUCING HASANZ

Setting the standard for health and safety advice and services in the workplace

What?

The Health and Safety Association of New Zealand (HASANZ) is the umbrella organisation for workplace health and safety professions in New Zealand.

HASANZ represents 10 diverse organisations with a shared purpose – to raise professional standards to provide healthier and safer workplaces for New Zealanders.

We promote excellence in workplace health and safety (H&S) practice.

We are:

- an association of associations
- a truly representative body for workplace H&S professionals in New Zealand, designed for us, by us
- a trusted voice for H&S professionals
- a first point of contact for government on workplace H&S matters
- the “go to place” for information and support in the H&S space.

A priority is improving access to quality advice for businesses by creating an online register of competent workplace health and safety professionals.

Increased professionalism = increased confidence in health and safety advice and services.

Who?

Founding member organisations include:

- Australian/New Zealand Society of Occupational Medicine (ANZSOM)
- Human Factors and Ergonomics Society of New Zealand (HFESNZ)
- Maintenance Engineers Society of New Zealand (MESNZ)
- NZ Institute of Hazardous Substances Management (NZIHSM)
- New Zealand Institute of Safety Management (NZISM)
- NZ Occupational Health Nurses Association (NZOHNA)
- NZ Occupational Hygiene Society (NZOHS)
- New Zealand Safety Council (NZSC)
- New Zealand Society of Physiotherapists (Occupational Group) (NZSP)
- Occupational Therapy New Zealand (OTNZ).

Why?

Establishing a representative body for health and safety professionals was a commitment in the Government’s *Working Safer* package of reforms (2013) developed in response to the findings of the Taskforce on Workplace Health and Safety (2012).

HASANZ supports the Government’s target of reducing the rate of fatalities and serious injuries in the workforce by at least 25% by 2020.

A step change in workplace health and safety performance in New Zealand requires us to work collaboratively to drive effective solutions.



HASANZ will help workplace H&S professionals provide better guidance and support to businesses for the benefit of all New Zealanders.

How?

- **Professional standards** – engaging with the education sector to raise the level of the health and safety curriculum content to enhance the credibility and recognition of the health and safety professions.
- **Professional excellence** – promoting robust collaboration between health and safety professions.
- **Industry advocacy** – promoting and influencing public policy and resource allocation decisions.
- **Health and safety leadership** – engaging with communities and businesses to provide informed assurance on health and safety.
- **Stakeholder engagement** – increasing the visibility and reputation of the health and safety professions.

When?

HASANZ is an incorporated society launched on 10 September 2014.

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