

The National Allied Health Scientific and Technical Informatics Group, (NAHSTIG) and The Telehealth Leadership Group (TLG), New Zealand

# Memorandum of Understanding

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## **Purpose**

This document outlines the Memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the National Allied Health, Scientific and Technical Informatics Group (NAHSTIG) and the Telehealth Leadership Group (TLG). NAHSTIG and TLG believe there is benefit to the organisations cooperating via partnership and working group membership models of relationship. These models will support the provision of expertise, knowledge and clinical insight that NAHSTIG is able to provide the TLG, as well as the benefit of bidirectional communication of information and knowledge that will align work programs.

## NAHSTIG agrees to:

- Work with TLG to advance the practice and sustainment of telehealth across the health and disability system to the benefit of all consumers and providers.
- Provide expert advice and consultation as required to achieve positive outcomes and value to both parties
- Provide a member who has strategic and governance experience to attend and contribute to the TLG quarterly meetings.
  - o This member will advise on NAHSTIG priorities and identify opportunities for Allied Health, Scientific and Technical representation into relevant TLG working groups
  - o This member will in turn feedback to the NAHSTIG community
- Provide members to attend and contribute to relevant working groups established by the TLG that support the strategic intention and direction of NAHSTIG
  - o These members will individually arrange attendance with the TLG working parties
  - They will also attend the NAHSTIG Telehealth Working Group to feedback and cross reference the work undertaken in order to reduce duplication and maximise benefit to both parties
- Consistently work to avoid duplication in effort and outcome across telehealth issues

# TLG agrees to:

- Support NAHSTIG to advance the practice and sustainment of telehealth for Allied Health, Scientific and Technical Professionals.
- Provide expert advice and consultation as required to achieve positive outcomes and value to both parties
- Provide members to attend and contribute to any relevant working or project groups established by NAHSTIG
  - o These members will individually arrange attendance with the relevant NAHSTIG
- Consistently work to avoid duplication in effort and outcome across telehealth issues

### General:

- Both parties will promote the other and encourage participation in relevant events
- Provide a qualified speaker to give an opinion from the perspective of each party when required.
- Provide general advice to the Chairs of NAHSTIG and TLG on how to grow engagement with the Telehealth, Allied Health, Scientific and Technical community

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