

2017 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM: *Giving Voice – Access for All*

7 & 8 September, Sudima Hotel Rotorua

We can now confirm our keynote speakers for this event:

7th September – Dr Huhana Hickey



Huhana Hickey has an LLB/BSoc Sci, LLM (Distinction) and a PhD in Law and Tikanga Maori from the University of Waikato. She was a solicitor at Auckland Disability Law (the first disability community law centre in New Zealand) and as a Māori Research Fellow at the Taupua Waiora Māori Health Research Unit at the Auckland University of Technology, Akoranga, Auckland. Dr Hickey was the indigenous peoples' representative for the International Disability Association steering group caucus during the development of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, and is still involved with the IDA international networks. Dr Hickey is a member of the Human Rights Review Tribunal and was awarded the New Zealand Order of Merit in 2015 for her services to Māori and disability community. She holds several governance roles, is a member of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of New Zealand, has sat on several ethics committee and is a life member of Rostrevor House in the Waikato.

8th September – Dr Anna Hearne



Anna Hearne has been a Speech-Language therapist for almost 20 years, beginning her journey with a bachelor degree from Curtin University in Western Australia in 1996. She completed her Masters in Munich, Germany in 2001 and her PhD at the Australian Stuttering Research Centre, Sydney in 2005. Anna has always specialised in the treatment of stuttering and has worked in a variety of settings. She currently works as a lecturer at Massey University, and also runs a private practice. In addition, Anna is a member of the

International Lidcombe program Trainers consortium and teaches workshops in New Zealand, Australia and Germany. She has a particular interest in the improvements that can be achieved by combining evidence based treatment techniques with teamwork between parents, clients and speech-language therapists.

The Sudima Hotel group holds the distinction of being the First Accessible Hotel Group in New Zealand, their goal being to ensure all guests can enjoy every aspect of each hotel's facilities regardless of their individual needs. This makes them the perfect choice to host our Symposium.

The **Annual General Meeting** will be held during the Symposium at lunchtime on 7th September.

Online registration will be available from – to be confirmed.

Registration fees are the same as they were in 2015:

1 Day

Member - \$150.00

Non Member - \$300.00

Student Member - \$90.00

Student Non Member - \$200.00

2 Days

Member - \$260.00

Non Member - \$450.00

Student Member - \$150.00

Student Non Member - \$350.00

To help with your planning, adult focused papers will be prioritised for the Thursday and paediatric focused papers on the Friday, with papers relevant to all spread across the two days.

Submission of Abstracts - CALL FOR PAPERS

We are looking forward to hearing reports on workplace projects, therapy interventions and innovations, and now invite you to submit abstracts using this [template](#).

Abstracts must be received by 5 pm, 7th June 2017.