## Dr Jan White



I am a GP in Mt Eden and work 6/10 in clinical practice. I have been a member of the Co-op Board for six years. Over the last year we went through a significant change with the creation of a Cooperative structure. This has been a major piece of work and will hopefully future proof our organisation and enable ProCare to continue to be effective in looking after General Practice in the years ahead.

I represent ProCare on the BPAC Board. I am also Chair of the General Practitioner Council of the New Zealand Medical Association and sit on the NZMA board and I am a member of the General Practitioners Leaders Forum.

Facing us in the future are many challenges not least being work force issues, funding challenges, sustainability of General Practice and burnout of GPs. Clearly there will be changes in the years ahead as we try to tackle these issues. General Practitioners are a cost effective part of the health system and deliver care that has been shown to positively affect health outcomes. Continuity of care is associated with better health outcomes and the Dr patient relationship is therapeutic in itself.

I am unashamedly committed to the very essence of General Practice, I believe we need to train more GPs, to attract more young DRs to this speciality and I think it is of utmost importance that our funding model is addressed.

ProCare has shown itself to be our advocate and to have at its heart the desire for equity of health care delivery and health outcomes for our patients and it has been an honour to have served on the Board.

I would like to continue the work that we are doing and to also ensure that the GP voice is not lost in the larger (and also important) Primary care voice. For that reason I am offering myself for re-election. I believe that I have the commitment, the energy and the knowledge to be effective.