

## **Raising the Bar: Practical clinical governance for pharmacists**

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### **Learning outcomes/objectives**

- Describe the purpose and key components of clinical governance in NZ hospital settings
- Explain the pharmacist's role within clinical governance structures
- Identify areas where pharmacists can contribute to clinical governance
- Describe ways that you can apply clinical governance within your day-to-day pharmacy practice to support safe and high quality medication management

### **Content**

This workshop provides a practical introduction to clinical governance concepts in New Zealand hospital settings, focusing on how it supports safe, high-quality patient care. Participants will explore the purpose and key components of clinical governance and develop an understanding of the pharmacist's role within these systems. The session will highlight specific areas where pharmacists can contribute, including medication safety, quality improvement, and risk management. Emphasis will be placed on translating these concepts into everyday practice, with participants learning practical ways to apply clinical governance activities into their daily work to enhance medication management and improve patient outcomes.

### **Format of activities**

The workshop will use a case-based format to support practical, applied learning. Participants will work through realistic clinical scenarios in small groups, identifying governance issues, discussing risks, and proposing improvement strategies. Activities will encourage active participation, reflection, and peer discussion, helping participants connect clinical governance concepts to their everyday pharmacy practice.

### **Target audience**

This workshop is designed for pharmacists who are practising clinically in hospital settings, particularly those early in their careers and seeking to build confidence in applying clinical governance in everyday practice.