



The Federation

A vibrant illustration of a landscape. In the foreground, there is a strip of green grass. Behind it, several stylized trees with green foliage and brown trunks are scattered across the scene. The background is a bright blue sky with white, fluffy clouds. A sunburst of light rays emanates from behind a cloud in the upper center. Two birds are shown in flight in the upper right portion of the sky.

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ABOUT THE FEDERATION



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The New Zealand Federation of Disability Information Centres became incorporated in 1989 as the Peak professional association for Disability Information Advisory Services. (DIAS)

Since then our membership has continued to grow. We noted that there were many health and disability providers, who were not affiliated with any other Peak body, who wanted to join the Federation. They may not be directly providing DIAS but they do promote the importance of disability information and other services that enhance the experience of disabled persons in our communities.

In 2019, following a membership review, we introduced a new type of membership. This is specifically for those who want to affiliate with the Federation and have access to the benefits we provide. While our full legal name is NZ Federation of Disability Information Centres we are most widely known simply as The Federation.

Our Federation Board members are located across Aotearoa-New Zealand and are proud leaders of their organisations and at the forefront of disability advocacy locally:

President: Lisa Martin – Auckland

Treasurer: Brian Eriksen – New Plymouth

COMMITTEE

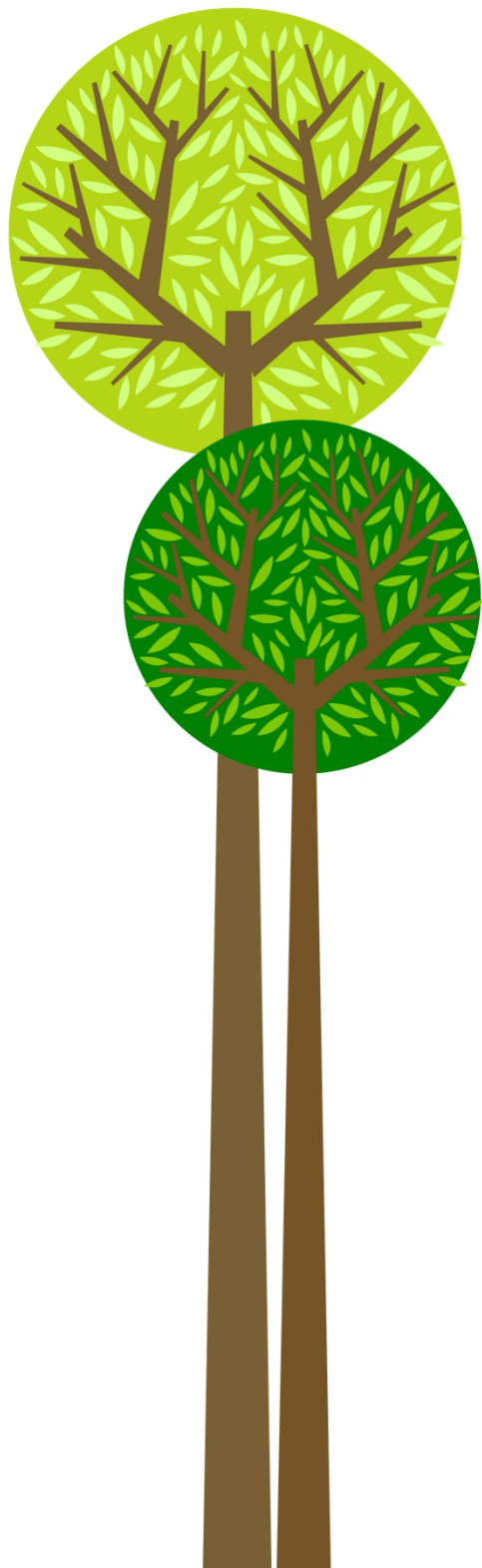
Noel Matthews – Northland

Debbie Roe – Otago

Julie Paalvast – Christchurch

Bron Foxx – Bay of Plenty

Carol Wood – Executive Officer





MEMBERSHIP OVERVIEW

Being a Member of the Federation gives you exclusive access to a range of opportunities that will help to enhance your service provision and strengthen your business capabilities.

An affiliate membership with The Federation will enable you to tap into a range of organisations and experience across the country that will allow you to:

- Create the ability for you to rapidly pivot your service and engagement model to adapt as the sector transforms. The speed and cost-effectiveness of the ability to pivot compared to other service channels will be measurable and demonstrable to funders
- Tap into collaborative models that provide you with the ability to rapidly extend reach and allow you to add services on demand
- Add new contacts and information not currently on your existing database that tap into the collective expertise across the country adding value to your offering.
- Access discounted conferences, workshops, seminars, and online training via the Federation Academy – an online portal we have developed for training modules that are relevant to our industry.
- Be part of a national collective that influences change-makers and lobbies for positive system transformation of disability services.

In return we ask members:

- To provide us with an annual report, using a template we supply, that includes stories of how their organisation is helping to build inclusive communities for disabled people.
- To participate in Federation activities and events.

**APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP OF
NEW ZEALAND FEDERATION OF DISABILITY INFORMATION CENTRES**

Official name of organisation			
Trading name (if different to above)			
Physical address			
Postal address (if different from above)			
Phone		Mobile	
Email		Web	
Contact person		Position	

What is your legal status? (E.g. Charitable Trust, Incorporated Society, other – please state)	
Are you registered with the Charities Commission? (if so please enter your CC number)	
Do you hold a Ministry of Health Disability Information Advisory Service (DIAS) contract?	
Does any other branch/division in your organisation hold Federation membership? If so please detail.	
What services does your organisation provide? (Feel free to send information as a separate document)	

I certify that the information supplied in this application for Affiliate Membership of the Federation is to the best of my knowledge true and correct.

Signed	Date
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Please print, complete and email this form to executiveofficer@thefederation.nz
Your application will be reviewed by the Executive Committee. If approved you will be sent an invoice for \$400.00 + gst per annum, for the period 1 July to 30 June each year.