

Nominee:

Dr Gishani Egan

Morrinsville Medical Centre, Waikato

Practice owner

Dr Gishani Egan has been an observer on the Pin Inc. Executive Committee since the 2020 AGM.

I was born in Sri Lanka and studied medicine at the University of Sydney, graduating 20 years ago. After working in Sydney for a couple of years, I came to New Zealand and have lived and worked in the Waikato since. I have been a GP for the last 14 years. I am a partner at the Morrinsville Medical Centre.

I enjoy being a GP due to the opportunity it affords me to build long term therapeutic relationships with my patients and the autonomy it gives me in my work.

I trained to be a forensic doctor caring for adults and adolescents who have been sexually assaulted 12 years ago. I have been working on the Waikato SAATS roster since then. For the last five years I have been the clinical lead for Primary Options Acute Care at Pinnacle, working in this capacity parttime.

My various roles keep my day to day work interesting and I enjoy the different intellectual challenges they pose. I am passionate about both the clinical and business aspects of being a GP practice owner. I am a mentor in the Ka Hono mentoring pilot of the RNZCGP Waikato/BOP faculty and have been mentoring GPs interested in practice ownership.

I wish to contribute to the board to assist in the development of thriving practices which are built on having a sustainable workforce. Good member engagement and transparency in what the board does is essential to building trust in the network. Being on the board will give me an opportunity to make a positive contribution to the future direction of Pinnacle.