

## Professor Nik Zeps



Professor Nik Zeps is the current Director of Research at Northern Health and Director of Operations at the Prostate Cancer Outcomes Registry.

He was previously the Group Director of Research for Epworth HealthCare. Prior to that he was the Director of Research at St John of God HealthCare from 2012 to 2016 and head of their translational cancer research program since 2008.

He is an Adjunct Professor at the Eastern Clinical School of Monash University, in the School of Health Sciences at Curtin University and the Centre for Comparative Genomics at Murdoch University.

He was a member of the Australian Health Ethics Committee from 2006-2012 and the Research Committee of the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) of Australia from 2009-2015.

He is a board member and the chair of the Cancer Biology Group of the Clinical Oncology Society of Australia (COSA) and a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Australasian Gastro-intestinal Trials Group (AGITG). He is chair of the Primary Care Collaborative Cancer Trials Group (PC4) Advisory committee and a member of the PC4 Scientific committee. He was a founding director and board member of the Australian Clinical Trials Alliance (ACTA).

He is the Australian representative on the Ethics and Policy Committee of the International Cancer Genome Consortium (ICGC) and was recently appointed Co-Chair of the Communication Committee of the ICGC-Precision Medicine initiative.



## Mr Gavin Fox-Smith



Gavin Fox-Smith is a Board Member of Bowel Cancer Australia.

Over his 35 year career Gavin has been a leader and champion of Medical Technology in Australia/NZ and Asia. He has also played lead roles in Industry Bodies, Innovation Initiatives and Not for Profit Boards. Gavin is strong advocate for Gender Equality and Indigenous Engagement.

Gavin is currently CEO of Omnigon, a private Australian company in the Ostomy Care market. He is Chair of ANDHealth (Australia's National Digital Health Initiative), Australian Co-Chair of the Health Technology Sector Group of the Australia/NZ Leadership Forum and Board Director for SAN Foundation. Gavin is a proud member of the Champions of Change Coalition Health group, sits on SBE Life Sciences Council and serves as an Ambassador for Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC).

Previously, Gavin was Managing Director Australia/NZ and Vice President Asia Pacific for Johnson & Johnson Medical Devices, Chair of the Medical Technology Association of Australia, Governor of American Chamber of Commerce and Co-Founder/Chair of Macquarie Park Business Coalition (in partnership with United Way).

Gavin is a Graduate of Australian Institute of Directors.



## Dr Elizabeth Murphy



Dr Murphy is the current president of the CSSANZ.

Liz is a colorectal surgeon, who operates in private practice in the Centre and the North of Adelaide. Liz has been Head of the Colorectal Unit at the Lyell McEwin Hospital since 2012, and has an active interest in both teaching and research, having completed a PhD in colonic motility at Flinders Medical Centre. Liz is involved in many roles for SA Health, the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and the Lyell McEwin Hospital. She is currently a member of the South Australian Clinical Senate.

Liz's current research projects include studies examining differences in cancer in men and women, studies examining the role on intravenous iron preoperatively in colorectal cancer patients and a project examining media utilisation in colorectal cancer patients.



## Ms Margaret Fitzherbert



Since 2019, Margaret has been the CEO of the McKinnon Institute for Political Leadership, which is a partnership between Monash University and the Susan McKinnon Foundation. Margaret is a former member of the State Parliament of Victoria. Prior to her election, Margaret worked as an industrial advocate, a federal government advisor, and as a communications professional.

Margaret has written widely about women and politics and her first book was shortlisted for a NSW Premier's Award. She has also contributed to a range of not-for-profit boards over more than 20 years, including as chair of the Royal Women's Hospital.

In 2014, Margaret was diagnosed with stage three bowel cancer, which was successfully treated. She is an Ambassador for Bowel Cancer Australia.

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## Professor Frank Frizelle



Prof Frizelle is current chair of the Governance Committee of the Prostate Cancer Outcomes Registry. He is Clinical Director of General Surgery at Te Whatu Ora Canterbury and the West Coast, and is Professor of Surgery at the University of Otago, Christchurch, and Editor in Chief of the New Zealand Medical Journal. He works in the public and private sector as a colorectal surgeon.

He trained in general surgery in New Zealand before undertaking post fellowship training in colorectal surgery at the Mayo Clinic, and Scotland. He returned to New Zealand in 1996 as senior lecturer in surgery at the University of Otago, Christchurch, before being appointed Professor of Colorectal Surgery in 2000, and became Head of the Academic Department of Surgery in January 2006. Frank relinquished this role in 2019 after 13 years as HOD and became Clinical Director of General Surgery for Canterbury and the West Coast in 2021

He has been Editor in Chief of the New Zealand Medical Journal since 2002. Frank has published over 500 publications in peer reviewed journals and given more than 300 presentations at national and international meetings.

Frank has been made an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit, and been awarded honorary fellowships from the New Zealand Association, the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland, the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and the American Surgical Association.



## Professor Alexander Heriot



Professor Alexander Heriot is a consultant colorectal surgeon and Director of Cancer Surgery at Peter MacCallum Cancer centre, Melbourne, Australia.

He has an MD from Cambridge University, England, and was awarded a Doctorate in Medicine from the University of London for research on short course radiotherapy and rectal cancer. He is a fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Australasia, England, and Edinburgh, and has an MBA from Melbourne Business School.

He did his general surgical training in London, and undertook specialist colorectal fellowships at St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Australia, St Marks Hospital, London, England, and The Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio.

He is an Honorary Clinical Professor at the University of Melbourne and has published over 370 papers and a book on laparoscopic colorectal surgery.

He is the current Chair of the Australia and New Zealand Training Board in Colon and Rectal Surgery



## Professor Cheri Ostroff



Cheri Ostroff is a Research Professor and former Director of the Centre for Workplace Excellence (CWeX) at the University of South Australia. Her research focuses on how the practices and features of an organisation influence the attitudes, wellbeing, and performance of individuals, and conversely, how individuals' characteristics collectively create and influence organisational functioning and effectiveness.

She is an expert in human resource management systems, organisational culture, climate and change.

Her research has received numerous international awards, she is listed in the top 1% most influential management scholars in the world, and is a World Top 2% Scientist. She is an active consumer representative on the SA Statewide Clinical Cancer Network, Australian Gastrointestinal Trials Group, and the Survivors as Teachers Program as well as contributing to multiple research grant proposals and projects.

