



# TSANZ

The Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand

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Dear Member,

**RE: Call for Nominations for the Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand (TSANZ) Council**

Nominations are called for the positions of President-elect and Councillors to be submitted via email to the Executive Officer **by 5.00pm Friday December 18, 2020**.

The nominee, proposer and seconder must be full financial members of the society. The nominee must also give written consent to the nomination and specify their region of residence and select an area from either Immunobiology or Clinical Renal Transplantation or Transplant surgery.

If there are more applicants than available positions, a ballot will be held in 2021 so that a new council will be decided in time for the Annual Scientific Meeting in March 2021.

The President-elect will serve on the council for 2 years in the capacity of Vice-President before becoming President for the subsequent 2 years. The elected President will serve for 2 years, and then must leave the council for a minimum of 2 years. Elected Councillors serve for 4 years.

The term of the current President, **Professor Patrick (Toby) Coates** expires at the next Annual Scientific Meeting and A/Professor Helen Pilmore takes over as President. The term of office of **A/Professor Natasha Rogers, A/Professor Bronwyn Levvey, Dr Nick Cross (NZ representative), A/Professor Kelli MacDonald** and **Dr Christine Russell**, also expire at the next Annual Scientific Meeting. **A/Professor Andrew Jabbour's** term as ex-officio cardiac representative on Council also ends. Remaining on Council are A/Professor Kate Wyburn, A/Professor Phil Clayton, A/Professor Fiona Mackie and Mr Paul Robertson (ATCA Representative).

In line with the Constitution, it is therefore **necessary to elect a President-elect and 6 new Council Members** one of whom must be from New Zealand. However, if an existing non-retiring council member successfully nominates for president-elect it will be necessary to elect 7 new council members. I encourage all society members to nominate for a position on council as President-elect and/or council member, because a range of nominees will ensure a spirited ballot and a strong council.

The constitution states that the overall composition of the council must meet the following criteria:

The Council shall consist of -

- (i) the President;
- (ii) the President-elect, who shall serve for 2 years as vice-president before becoming president

- (iii) seven (7) elected Ordinary Members, from whom council will elect -
  - (i) Treasurer
  - (ii) Secretary
- (iv) the President of the Australasian Transplant Coordinators Association (ATCA) or nominee, who must be an Ordinary Member of the Society
- (v) a representative from New Zealand, who must be an Ordinary Member of the Society. However, if no nominations are received from a New Zealand Ordinary Member, the current serving New Zealand representative will continue until the next election (a further two years) as ex-officio and the unfilled New Zealand council position be filled by the next person standing at the current year's election
- (vi) The nominations and council election results will ensure Gender Equity on TSANZ Council – 3 men, 3 women

At least three (3) regions must be represented in the Council by the Ordinary Members. The regions of Australia will be New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and a region which constitutes Tasmania, the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory.

At least one (1) representative amongst the Ordinary Members of Council elected shall be chosen from each of the areas nominated on the application for election to council form. The areas include:

- (i) Immunobiology
- (ii) Clinical Renal Transplantation
- (iii) Transplant Surgery

At least three (4) areas of special interest of clinical transplantation will be represented in the ordinary members of council elected. These areas include:-

- (i) Cardiac
- (ii) Thoracic
- (iii) Liver
- (iv) Renal and/or Pancreas
- (v) Bone Marrow
- (vi) Other Clinical

*Sub Clause In the event that the requirements for geographical, special interest group and gender representation on Council cannot be met simultaneously, special interest group and gender representation shall take precedence over geographical.*

A nomination form is enclosed for convenience, although the information need only be provided in writing to be a valid nomination.

Yours sincerely,



A/Prof Natasha Rogers  
Honorary Secretary – TSANZ