

## **STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE OTAGO POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SOCIETY 2009 -2013**

### **1. INCREASE MEMBERSHIP**

#### **How?**

- Membership drive
- Membership review
- Visiting speakers etc will only be approved if applications come from members.
- Make membership of society more attractive
- Provide incentives and opportunities for people to join

**When?** 2010

### **2. INCREASE AWARENESS OF POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH IN DUNEDIN SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

#### **How?**

- Invite speakers (PhD students, Masters students from Health Sciences) to give 5 minute overview of their completed or almost completed research prior to the Medical Forum. This is to be regarded as a curtain raiser prior to the invited speaker presenting at the Medical Forum.
- Other suggestions

**When?** 2010-

### **3. ENCOURAGE GREATER PARTICIPATION IN AND PROMULGATION OF INFORMATION FROM THE MEDICAL FORUM**

#### **How?**

- Use of online dissemination techniques e.g. unitube, itunes U or the creation of a web page where recordings of previous speakers or their power point presentations can be made available.
- Provide incentives for research students to attend

### **4. INCREASE NUMBER OF POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT COURSES IN OTAGO**

#### **How?**

- Investigate advantages to each department/section etc for running such courses either on or off campus
- Forming strategic alliances with other Schools/Universities/Colleges
- E learning
- Registrar training

**When?** By 2012

**5. INCREASE FUNDING FOR POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION**

**How?**

- Approach Community Trust for increased grant
- Investigate similar Trusts which may have funds available for medical education eg Guardian Trust
- Healthcare Otago Charitable Trust
- Seek supplement to or additional funding for, house surgeon/registrar training
- Approach the Postgraduate Medical Education Trust to encourage them to either provide funding for visiting speakers etc or use the Postgraduate Medical Educational Society (PGMES) as a vehicle to disseminate their funds for medical education.
- Strategic alliance with Southland
- Southland may have funding for continuing medical education or postgraduate medical education and may be looking for opportunities to ally themselves to the Otago PGMES

**When?** By 2011

**6. INVESTIGATE INNOVATIVE METHODS OF PROVIDING REGISTRAR TRAINING**

**How?**

- Invite registrar a representative onto the PGMES committee
- Encourage registrars to enrol in newly created University courses during their training years

**When?** By 2013