

**GOVERNMENT
HEALTH AND SAFETY LEAD**

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

GHSL H&S REPRESENTATIVE OF THE YEAR AWARDS - NOMINATIONS DATE EXTENDED

In recognition of how busy everyone is and the changes so many agencies are grappling with, we have extended the closure date for the 2024 Health and Safety Representative of the Year nominations to giving agencies more time to make submissions.

This is a great opportunity to recognise the hard work our H&S Reps do as part of their voluntary role. Nominations now close Tuesday 9th April 2024.

Forms and guidelines can be found [here](#) and the Awards will be presented at the GHSL H&S Rep Conference on the 6th June 2024. If you have any questions about either the Conference or the nominations, please email either ghsl@mpi.govt.nz or Anita.mcghie-filkins@mpi.govt.nz



NZISM OFFER TO GHSL MEMBERS

The [New Zealand Institute of Safety Management](#) is the leading professional association for health and safety generalists (health and safety managers, advisors and consultants). They have 2,800 members (an estimated 80% of the profession).

NZISM members get access to internationally aligned accreditation programme offering a direct pathway to the HASANZ Register, 100+ local networking and CPD events annuals across 14 regional branches and 30+ national webinars each year; annual masterclass workshops; mentoring and peer support; fortnightly eNewsletters; and discounts for Standards NZ, training and events.

Many of your people are likely to be NZISM members. Individual members pay \$250 each per year (plus a \$25 joining fee for new members). Several agencies take advantage of NZISM's bulk membership offer - if an organisation signs up 10 or more of their staff, you get a 10% discount on membership and for 20 or more staff, it's a 20% discount.

As the new CEO of NZISM, Jeff Sissons is working closely with the Government Health and Safety Lead team, as he has done in previous roles. Jeff has let me know he would be happy to discuss bulk membership or other ways of working together with your organisations. If you would like to catch up with Jeff, drop him a line at ceo@nzism.org and he'll get in touch to arrange a time to catch up.

AUCKLAND EARLY IN CAREERS PROGRAMME – CANCELLATION

Unfortunately, we have not been able to get the necessary numbers of attendees for the Auckland EiC programme, due to start on Friday, 10 April, and so have had to cancel it. We are still planning to run the scheduled Wellington EiC Programme, starting Wednesday, 8 May and registrations for this are now open - please email ghsl@mpi.govt.nz to register your interest.



DEEP DIVE FRAMEWORK

The Data, Insights and Assurance Community of Practice (DAI-COP) shares knowledge, practice and research from all things data, assurance and insights work being done in the sector. Those who will benefit most from attending will be H&S practitioners who are collecting, assessing, analysing and presenting health, safety and wellbeing information, and Data Analysts who are supporting the health and safety function.

The first session was attended by 25 people where MPI shared their governance dashboards, a draft deep-dive framework was presented by GHSL and the session ended with a brief review of an academic report on the statistical invalidity of injury rates as a measure of safety performance. Please contact Braden Lister if you're interested in attending the next DAICOP. (braden.lister@mpi.govt.nz)

AGENCY MEETINGS

If it would be useful to meet with either myself or the GHSL team, to discuss anything you are currently working on or any challenges you are facing, please reach out – we are here to help.

LAUNCH OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE CORE LEARNING HUB AND THE NEW PUBLIC SERVICE INDUCTION

The Leadership Development Centre has announced a new Public Service Core Learning Hub featuring a revamped Public Service Induction designed to help new public servants understand the Public Sector. In addition, the Hub hosts learning created by functional, system leads and heads of profession. Covering common system capabilities required across the Public Service relevant for large target audience, such as finance, policy or Māori Crown relationships. All public servants are able to access the high-quality learning created by the Public Service for the Public Service at

<https://www.ldc.govt.nz/public-service-core-learning-hub>

CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS

If you or your teams and H&S Reps haven't already registered, get in quick to secure your seats the Conference.

Registrations can be done through our event management portal [here](#). The Conference is free for GHSL member agencies to attend and is a fantastic development day for our H&S Reps.

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**REGISTRATIONS
OPEN NOW!**

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