



OPTOMETRY COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

NOMINATIONS – 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTOR POSITIONS

The Optometry Council of Australia and New Zealand (OCANZ) was established in 1996 with the support of the optometrists registration boards and optometry membership bodies in Australia and New Zealand, and the Heads of the Optometry Schools. OCANZ is a not-for-profit organisation and a company limited by guarantee.

OCANZ has two core functions – (1) Assessment by examination of overseas qualified optometrists' capacity to practise optometry safely in the Australian and New Zealand context and (2) Accreditation of Australian and New Zealand optometry programs of study.

A skills-based Board of Directors governs OCANZ and has overall responsibility for pursuing the objectives of OCANZ, determining OCANZ's strategic direction, and supporting and monitoring the implementation of OCANZ's activities.

The Board is responsible for the financial viability of OCANZ and for ensuring compliance with the statutory requirements applicable to a company and accreditation authority.

Nominations are now invited from suitably qualified and experienced optometrists and non-optometrists for up to five (5) vacancies available on the Board for a term of up to three years, effective December 2021. Four (4) current vacancies are due to the rotation of members who are eligible for re-appointment.

Selection will be on merit. Due to the current under-representation of the following groups on the Board, applications from Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, or Māori peoples or those aged under 50 are welcomed.

The closing date for nominations is 5.00 pm (AEDT) on Friday 15 October 2021.

Interested persons should email **Ms Sian Lewis**, Executive Officer, on s.lewis@ocanz.org for further information and application forms which must be completed before an application is considered.