Scott Reeves PhD, MSc, PGCE, DGC

The Centre for Health and Social Practice welcomes Professor Scott Reeves to Wintec and New Zealand. Scott is a Wintec visiting research fellow and will be assisting to advance the centre’s long term goals to:

- Build capability and capacity for interprofessional research within CHASP,
- Further develop the research culture within CHASP,
- Build research collaborations in areas of strength, and
- Support knowledge transfer, the translation of research into practice, and rapid implementation (within our own organisation and with key stakeholders and partners).

Scott Reeves is a social scientist who has been undertaking health education and health services research for over 20 years. He is currently Professor in Interprofessional Research, Centre for Health and Social Care Research, Faculty of Health, Social Care & Education, Kingston and St George’s, University of London. His current academic portfolio also includes working as Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Interprofessional Care and working as the Research Advisor for the Centre for the Advancement of Interprofessional Education.

Originally from the UK, he has spent the last decade in North America, initially in Canada where he was the inaugural Director of Research, Centre for Faculty Development, St Michael’s Hospital. In Canada he also held positions as Senior Scientist, Wilson Centre for Research in Education and was Professor of Psychiatry, University of Toronto. In addition, he was appointed the inaugural Evaluation Director, Canadian Interprofessional Health Collaborative. Moving then to the USA, he was appointed as the Founding Director, Center for Innovation in Interprofessional Education as well as Professor of Social & Behavioral Sciences and Professor of Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco.

His main interests are focused on developing conceptual, empirical and theoretical knowledge to inform the design and implementation of interprofessional education and practice activities. To date, he has published over 250 peer-reviewed papers, book chapters, textbooks, editorials and monographs. Many of his publications have been translated from English into other languages including French, Spanish, Portuguese, Japanese, Norwegian and Russian.
Glennis Birk is the Livingworkz Nursing Team Manager in the Centre for Health and Social Practice. Glennis has been with Wintec for 30 years in a range of roles and for the past five years she has been managing the large team who deliver the Bachelor of Nursing and Diploma of Enrolled Nursing. Glennis is a Registered Nurse and has a clinical background in critical care. She has a passion for education and enhancing student success. Glennis has also served as member of the Wintec Council and was the recipient of the Gallagher Award for Excellence and Leadership at the Wintec Staff Awards in 2012.

Morgan Mackenzie is an Academic Staff Member in our Nursing programme and the Academic Liaison Nurse for the Older Persons and Rehabilitation Dedicated Education Unit at Waikato Hospital. Morgan is a Registered Nurse with considerable experience in the field of Aged Care Nursing.

Morgan teaches on the National Diploma of Enrolled Nursing and the Bachelor of Nursing programmes and has been heavily involved in the development of the Dedicated Education Unit model of clinical placement experience at Wintec in partnership with the Waikato DHB.

Cheryl Atherfold is the Associate Director of Nursing Practice and Education for Waikato DHB, she leads a team of Nurses and Midwives who provide education development activity that supports a safe equipped workforce. She is chair of the Wintec Undergraduate Nursing Employees Engagement Group. Her goal is to develop and support growth in practice across the care continuum to optimise patient experience and health outcomes. She has been part of initiatives with Adolescent and Paediatric Diabetes services, Youthworx, cultural partnerships, a cultural competence framework for PDRP, Nurse Practitioner mentoring, and the Te Arawa Clinical Emergency Response Team to the Christchurch Earthquake.

Belinda Macleie is the Nurse Manager for the Older Persons and Rehabilitation Service at Waikato DHB. She has been nursing since the late 1980s, gained a Masters Degree in 2001, and has held previous roles as Clinical Nurse Director at Waikato DHB, and Regional Nurse Specialist/Clinical Advisor for Plunket. Belinda’s interests include nursing leadership and building high performing teams through enabling nurses to have influence over their practice and environments Belinda was involved early on in the development of the Dedicated Education Unit model of clinical placement experience at Wintec in partnership with the Waikato DHB.

Mere Balzer, of Hamilton, received the Insignia of a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to Māori health. She established the School of Nursing and Health Studies at Waikato Polytechnic and was also instrumental in setting up the School of Nursing at Te Whare Wananga O Awanui a Rangi. She is the Chief Executive of the Te Rūnanga O Kirihimete Trust, the urban Māori authority for Hamilton. She has been a member of a number of boards, trusts, and committees aimed at improving Māori health including Te Kauriwha o Ngāi Te Āti Awa Māori Executive. Ms Balzer has also sat on the Bay of Plenty Ethics Committee, the Waikato District Health Board and is a member of the iwi Māori Council.

Yvonne Boyea is the Academic Coordinator for the Rural Health Interprofessional Program (RHIP). Originally from the Waikato, Yvonne has been in the Eastern Bay of Plenty for 30 years. A registered nurse, she has spent time working as a public health nurse, as an oncology/palliative care district nurse, as Director of Nursing for Waipuna Hospice and a Student Nurse Educator for Waikari. Yvonne believes that the increased focus on integration between secondary and primary care alongside interprofessional health delivery is giving health professionals a greater respect and sharing. Supporting students to see an increased rural focus for their future is central to Yvonne’s current role.

Navin Rejan is the Managing Director of the Tui Medical group of medical clinics and works half time as a GP. He worked initially at Waikato Hospital as a Psychiatry Registrar for 5 years before joining General Practice and becoming a Fellow of the Royal College of General Practitioners. He and his wife are blessed with two fantastic boys and live in Hamilton. Navin’s goal is to improve the health of our community particularly those who cannot afford to access primary care. Navin believes that is possible to extend New Zealand’s excellent primary health care to all by integrating the skill set of Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Occupational Therapists and Social Workers working as a team; and that this expanded team can deliver holistic care within the framework of the existing funding available to Primary Care.

With an extensive background within the social services and health sectors, Cathy Holland brings a rich skill set to her role as Director of the Hamilton Children’s Team. Over the years, there is not much Cathy has not seen in her management roles within the Midland Regional Health Authority, Ministry of Health (Wellington), and for the last six years as CE of Parentline, Hamilton. Cathy has worked for, and advocated on behalf of vulnerable children and families relentlessly throughout her career and views her leadership role with the Hamilton Children’s Team as a fantastic opportunity to further improve the support, care and assistance given to this group. Cathy enjoys a vast network of contacts and support through her tribal affiliations with Waikato Tainui, Ngati Toa Rangatira, Ngati Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and Kai Tahu.

Welcome to the Wintec Centre for Health and Social Practice symposium on Interprofessional Education, Practice and Research.

Wintec is pleased to be hosting this event to showcase the interprofessional education, practice and research that is happening across our region.

We hope you enjoy hearing from Wintec visiting Research Fellow, Professor Scott Reeves and our other guest speakers from around the region. I am confident their presentations will stimulate ongoing conversations and pave the way for further interprofessional partnerships.

Our vision is to significantly develop the provision of interprofessional education opportunities for health and social practice students in our region. To achieve this goal, strong collaborations with health and social care providers will be required – not only to advance interprofessional practice development and provide interprofessional clinical placement opportunities for students but also to deliver research that provides real world solutions.

If you have an interest in co-creating what interprofessional health and social practice education looks like in our region, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further.

Angela Beaton, Centre Director Centre for Health and Social Practice Wintec