

AAAPC sub-committee Report for AGM**Date:** July 2021

Strategic group	<i>Academic Policy and Advocacy sub Committee</i>
Name of group lead/chair	Prof Grant Russell
Updates:	<p>The Research Policy and Advocacy sub-committee is one of the AAAPC 4 foundation sub-committees.</p> <p>The subcommittee gives members a chance to reflect upon and contribute to AAAPC policy positions on topics ranging from the value of primary care to determining what initiatives should be endorsed by AAAPC.</p> <p>We were able to build this year on the major investments we made during 2019-2020 on the way the committee was constituted and how it worked. As a reminder we have 17 members from a range clinical and non clinical backgrounds. We have as well a good range of professional experience – from early career researchers to those in senior academic roles.</p> <p>Our model of having small working groups focussed on key issues that requires AAAPC responses has worked well with most members having been actively involved in the writing of policies and responses that include work on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The value of primary care • The ways in which AAAPC can contribute to an Australian national practice based research network • The Australian National Audit Office’s review of the Commonwealth Department of Health’s Management of the Medical Research Future Fund • The recent call for input into the Primary Health Reform Steering Group’s recommendations on the Australian Government’s Primary Health Care 10 Year Plan.

For the next year, early work will be to finalise our Value of Primary Care statement, to be a major driver of work to optimise the work of Practice Based Research Networks and to explore ways to make an impact into policy considerations in New Zealand's primary care system.

Thank you to the 2020/21 subcommittee members, for their insight and contributions through the year.

I have appreciated the chance to work in the committee chair role over the last few years. While I am stepping down as chair, I am keen to continue to be involved in the work of the committee.

Members of the committee are:

Lauren Ball	Griffith University, Queensland
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Bryce Bickley	Griffith University, Queensland
Samantha Chakraborty	Monash University
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Kirsty Douglas	Australian National University
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Rebecca Evans	James Cook University
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