

Main Theme and Messaging

Focus and Future plans is amplifying message and voices

Education and Knowledge Translation

One of our major focuses for 2019 is knowledge translation. Cerebral Palsy is a complex condition and we want to promote education amongst individuals, families, and the wider clinical community. We are working to shape the future research agenda in New Zealand and be active participants in how projects are designed and developed. The Society is working with 4 universities to convey these messages. Our main projects are understanding SDR in New Zealand and understanding Intensive Rehabilitation in New Zealand.

Information and Relaxing

We want our members to have the opportunity to form a sense of community and grass-roots engagement. Throughout the year, we have hosted a series of parent, family, and individual events and services. We are constantly shaping new events in response to feedback. These include parent information, Mum's relaxation evenings, family research seminars, and drop-in events.

Hearing Opinions

We have been delighted by the amount of meaningful feedback and opinions that our members have offered during our recent surveys and outreach. This information will be utilised to form the foundation of our future advocacy, both in the short term and longer terms. Groups that we are working with include disability organisations, ministries, and international organisations.

Understanding CP

The Society is constantly developing new ways to present and understand the process of living with CP, and more importantly, living well with condition. 2019 has seen us overhaul our documents and brochures to better reflect individuals' experiences. One of the most important features in understanding CP is to comprehend the different levels and types each group has a different reality on a day-to-day basis.