



Muscular Dystrophy New Zealand

25 March 2022

Nomination Process for the 2022 Election of the National Council

In accordance with the Constitution of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of New Zealand Incorporated (MDANZ), we are now seeking nominations from members with voting rights who have an interest in serving on the National Council for a two-year term. This is a vital role for the organisation and the nomination process is outlined below.

Nominations are being called for the following positions:

1. National Council Chairperson

Current Position Holder: Trevor Jenkin - will re-stand for a further term.

2. National Council Vice- Chairperson

Current Position Holder: Scott Boyle - will re-stand for a further term.

3. Three Councillors to be elected at large

Current Position Holders: Joy Jenkin & Tony Antunovich.

Doris Hanham & Yaz Dolbel-Neville will not stand for a further term.

4. Young Rangitahi Representative (must be aged 16 to 25 and a member of MDANZ)

Current Position Holder: Alice Mander - not available for a further term.

The two-year term of office will start from the close of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Friday 29th April 2022.

Nomination and Election Processes

Nominees must meet the eligibility requirements set out in Clauses 11.4 and 11.5 of the MDANZ constitution and must be a member with voting rights. These requirements are attached as an appendix to this letter.

If there are more nominations received than the number of vacant positions available, then a voting ballot will be held under the rules set out in Clause 12 of the MDANZ Constitution.

Nomination Forms

Nominations must be completed on the official form enclosed.



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We ask that you please attach some information about yourself to accompany the nomination, such as relevant experience and what interests you about becoming involved in the governance of a nationwide, non-profit organisation. This information should be around 250 words and will be used to inform members about nominees, (please note that we may edit information supplied).

You will need to return completed nomination forms, by **4pm on Friday 8th April 2022** by one of the following means:

Post: to the EA, Muscular Dystrophy Association of New Zealand, PO Box 12063, Penrose, Auckland 1642 *Email:* info@mda.org.nz

Please note that the Nominee, Proposer and Secunder must all be current voting members of MDANZ at the date of call for nomination and will need to provide their membership number. Failure to meet these requirements may disqualify the nomination. Your membership number is located at the top of this letter.

If you need any assistance, please email info@mda.org.nz or phone 0800 800 337 and one of our team will be happy to assist you.

Warm regards,

Trevor Jenkin
National Executive Chairperson



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Appendix A: Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for election to the National Council candidates must meet the following eligibility criteria, as set out in Clauses 11.4 and 11.5 of the MDA constitution:

- 11.3.1 To be elected as a member of the National Council, a person must:
- 11.3.2 as at the closing date for nominations for the relevant election, be recorded in the Association's Register of Members; and
- 11.3.3 meet the eligibility requirements for being an officer of a charitable entity under the Charities Act 2005; and
- 11.3.4 in the case of the Young (Rangatahi) Representative be between the ages of 16 and 25 as at the closing date for nominations for the relevant election.
- 11.4 A member of the National Council shall not be or have been an employee of any Branch or the Association or a labour-only contractor to any Branch or the Association, or have been engaged in any unresolved employment or other proceedings against any Branch or the Association, within the last twelve (12) months prior to the date on which the vote is to be cast in connection with that person's appointment.
- 11.5 Requirements for being an officer of a charitable entity under the Charities Act 2005
To qualify as an officer under the Charities Act an officer must not be:
- an undischarged bankrupt
 - under the age of 16 years
 - convicted of a crime involving dishonesty (section 2(1) of the Crimes Act 1961) and sentenced within the last 7 years
 - prohibited from being a director or promoter of, or being concerned or taking part in the management of, an incorporated or unincorporated body under the Companies Act 1993, the Securities Act 1978, the Securities Markets Act 1988, or the Takeovers Act 1993
 - disqualified by the Charities Commission under section 31(4) of the Charities Act 2005
 - subject to a property order made under the Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988, or have their property managed by a trustee corporation under section 32 of that Act (this relates to people who are not fully able to manage their affairs)
 - disqualified from being an officer under the rules of their charity



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OFFICIAL NATIONAL COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM 2022

NOMINEE TO COMPLETE IN FULL:

I accept nomination for the position of _____ on the National Council of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of New Zealand Inc.

I have read the information about the nomination process for the 2022 election of the National Council of MDANZ and confirm that I am a member with voting rights and meet the eligibility criteria set out in clauses 11.4 and 11.5 of the Association's constitution.

I declare that the attached biographical information (if any) is correct and consent to its publication on the ballot paper for the purpose of the election.

Full Name: _____ Member No. _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

Proposer (Name) _____ Member No. _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

Seconder (Name) _____ Member No. _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

Nominees please complete: for the purpose of conducting the election only; details will not be published.

Postal _____ Address _____

Email Address _____

Phone No. _____

(Nominees will be advised by e-mail or post that their nomination has been received, whether it is accepted or declined, and, if declined, the reason.)

NOMINATIONS CLOSE at 4pm, Friday 8th April 2022

Please submit this form to the National Support Office of MDANZ before the closing date.

You may email info@mda.org.nz to ask any questions. For more copies of this form please email info@mda.org.nz or phone us at the National Support Office on 0800 800 337.

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