

ANZDATA ADVISORY COMMITTEE Members List

Member		Position	Organisation	Term Start
Sradha	KOWTAL	Chair	The George Institute for Global Health	2022 (3)
Helen	PILMORE	Deputy Chair	NZ Representative	2025
Stephen	MCDONALD	Director Strategy & Policy	ANZDATA	N/A
Philip	CLAYTON	Technical Director	ANZDATA	N/A
Georgina	IRISH	Director Projects & Analytics	ANZDATA	N/A
Dana	FORCEY	Epidemiology Fellow	ANZDATA	N/A
Kelly	MARSHALL	Registry General Manager	ANZDATA	N/A
Nicholas	GRAY	Representative	Sunshine Coast Health	2022 (3)
Breonny	ROBSON	Representative	Kidney Health Australia	2018
Amanda	MCKIE	Representative	RSA	2025
Sharon	FORD	Representative	ANZSN	2025
Rachael	MORTON	WG Chair	PROMs	2017 (8)
Matthew	ROBERTS	WG Chair	Haemodialysis	2018 (7)
William	MULLEY	WG Chair	Transplantation	2019 (6)
Jenny	CHEN	WG Chair	Peritoneal Dialysis	2022
Kate	RICHARDS	WG Chair	Aotearoa New Zealand	2025
Samantha	BATEMAN	WG Chair	Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health	2023
Hugh	MCCARTHY	WG Chair	Paediatric	2023
Shilpa	JESUDASON	WG Chair	Parenthood	2023
Mel	WYLD	WG Chair	Living Kidney	2025
Jacqueline	SORARU	SIG Chair	Genetics Data- SIG	2022
Josephine	CHOW	General Member	Contributing Unit	2020
Revathy	MANICKAVASAGAR	General Member	Early Career Nephrologist	2023
Michael	GARRETT	General Member	Contributing Unit	2023
Helen	EDDINGTON	General Member	NZ Representative	2023

ANZDATA Advisory Committee MINUTES

Meeting Date:	Wednesday 4 February 2026
Meeting Location:	Videoconference
Members Present:	Per members list
Apologies:	Terry Jennings, Mel Wyld, Reva Manickavasagar, Michael Garrett, Amanda McKie.
Secretariat:	Jo van Dommele

No.	Agenda Item	Discussion/Decision	Action No.
1	Meeting Opening		
1.1	Welcome and Apologies	The chair welcomed members and guests and provided acknowledgement of country. KR provided opening karakia	
1.2	Declarations of Conflict of Interest	No conflicts declared	
1.3	Confirmation of Previous Minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting held on 26 th November 2025 were confirmed as an accurate record.	
1.4	Terms of Reference	<i>There were no decisions or actions for this item.</i>	
1.5	Action List	The action list was discussed.	
2	Change Request		
2.1	Change Request Dashboard	KM Provided an update. Noted: Machine Perfusion and Cause of Graph Failure are currently in development phase and are planned to go live next year. <i>There were no decisions or actions for this item.</i>	
3	Report from Executive		
3.1	Organisation and Operational Ongoing Developments	PC provided update. BSO finishing with ANZDATA 6th February 2026. ANZDATA has appointed a new lead software developer, Madhushree Sinha, and hired another software developer starting next week. The ANZDATA annual report has now been published. My Kidney Insights Project dashboard is in development, with a lot of scoping and design involved behind the scenes. The Bloodstream Infection Collection, which is haemodialysis vascular access related bloodstream infections. Data has not been locked yet as the real-time data has shown a lot of under-reporting, with over half of hospitals reporting zero infections. ANZDATA is working to target the hospitals seen as significantly under-reporting. ANZDATA 50th anniversary will be held SAMRHI February 17-19th 2027. Proposing day 1 to be a datathon, day 2 focus on past and present and day 3 focus on the future, with a dinner on the 18th. Noted: The National Transplant Strategy has not resulted in significant additional funding support for ANZDATA. ACTION: Cause of death categories proposal to the next advisory committee meeting. ACTION: Explore options for promoting the ANZDATA 50th anniversary event, including advertising in the ANZSN newsletter and save the date calendar invites. Email ANZSN Redcap questionnaire.	260204/01 260204/02
4	Epidemiology Fellow Update		

4.1	Epidemiology Fellow Update	DF provided update. The dialysis capacity report is in the final stages of being completed. The Head of Unit Survey, which has a special focus on peritoneal dialysis (PD), is close to having a 90% response rate. Data for the PD population will be separated out; a more comprehensive analysis could be part of the trainee program. The expressions of interest for the ANZDATA trainee project program are open, with the deadline being the first Friday of March. The trainees selected for the program will be made honorary members of the ANZDATA working group most relevant to their project, which is seen as a positive way to engage them with ANZDATA. ACTION: Email ANZSN support proposal for trainee attendance at ANZDATA datathon.	260204/03
5	Working groups update		
5.1	Aotearoa New Zealand	KR provided update. Noted: Ongoing issue with funding from New Zealand government. The Ministry of Health is finalising a funding proposal paper for their senior leadership. The group is concerned about the possibility of reduced funding and the impact that would have on the services ANZDATA provides, which the group believe New Zealand health cannot replicate. ACTION: Provide an update on the Maori data sovereignty work with ANZDATA. ACTION: BSI Missingness by region. Feedback to KR for NZ WG meeting	260204/04 260204/05
	Aboriginal & Torrens Strait Islander Health	<i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
	Haemodialysis	MR provided update. The WG is reviewing the data collection for parathyroidectomy, with the goal of streamlining and making the data more meaningful. Suggested: Involving some of the original pioneers of dialysis in the 50th anniversary celebrations for ANZDATA There were no actions or decisions for this item.	
	Safety & Quality	NG provided update. The QI reports have been sent out to heads of units and chief executives and will soon go to health departments as well. Some units have reached out after seeing their mortality data was less favourable. The committee has engaged in good discussions with them. There are challenges around how to best present the data, such as using CUSUM data instead of raw figures. The committee is also looking at ways to allow users to better interrogate the ANZDATA website and reports, such as through drop-down boxes and more interactive features. <i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
	Living Kidney Donation	<i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
	Parenthood	SJ provided update. The working group has two papers ready for submission in the next 1-2 months. They have noted a drop-off in reporting of parenthood events, so they have been focused on trying to improve visibility and reporting of the parenthood data. They released a video in the ANZDATA newsletter last week about the male parenthood data set, to provide step-by-step guidance on how to properly report this information. French Registry postdoc visiting ANZDATA for a few months doing a comparison of pregnancies on dialysis between France and Australia/New Zealand. <i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
	Paediatric	<i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
	Special Interest Genetics Collection	<i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	

	Peritoneal Dialysis	JC provided update. The focus for the working group this year will be the implementation of the peritonitis/tunnel infection data collection, which is now live. This includes real-time reporting of peritonitis as well as other PD-related infections. The group is also working closely with ANZDATA on the Share Source project, which involves using AI and other innovative approaches to improve PD outcomes. The group have plans on how to best utilise the PD-focused data in comparison to patient-level outcomes. <i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
	PROMS	RM provided update. Finalisation of Delphi for PROM selection and manuscript writing; Oral presentation for ANZDATA PROMs (unit variations in QoL) accepted at SAHMRI registry symposium in March. SWIFT in follow-up, with baseline data being presented at WCN. <i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
	Transplant	<i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
6	KHA Update		
6.1	Kidney Health Australia Update	RP provided an update. Kidney Health Australia is launching a national roadmap for early detection of CKD on World Kidney Day (March 12). They will be presenting the report and consensus statement in Canberra on that day. The roadmap is asking for more funding for early detection initiatives and better CKD management across Australia. Kidney Health Australia's "Kidney Health for Life" program now has over 3,000 sign-ups since launching in August last year. Currently focused on expanding the kids and youth components of this program. <i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
6.2	ANZSN Update	SF provided an update. ANZSN is focused on internal governance and restructuring required for their AC&C registration. EOIs out for a facilitator and secretariat support for their new Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Māori Health Committee Establishment Working Group. This will be the first specialty society to have its own dedicated committee in this area. Changes have been to committee structures - the Policy and Quality Committee (PQC) is being split into a Policy and Advocacy Committee and a separate Quality Care Committee. ANZSN's mentorship program has been restructured, with two streams - one focused on quality projects and one on data-driven projects <i>There were no actions or decisions for this item.</i>	
7	All Other Business		
7.1	Initiatives for 2026	For next agenda ACTION: Consider potential projects or supervision opportunities for the ANZDATA trainee program. <i>There were no decisions for this item.</i>	260204/06
7.2	2026 Meeting Face to Face	ACTION: Coordinate with the ANZSN conference organisers on options/ room availability for scheduling the 2026 ANZDATA advisory committee face-to-face meeting. <i>There were no decisions for this item.</i>	260204/07
8	Close of Meeting		
	Next Meeting	Date: Wednesday, 10 th 2026 Location: Videoconference	
		KR closed the meeting with the closing karakia	