

# ADVOCACY AND RELATIONSHIPS

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Photo from 2023 Delegate Conference, session with Margie Apa & Andrew Slater

STONZ Executive have worked hard to build these relationships with stakeholders, such as the **Minister of Health, Te Whatu Ora's Chief Executive and Chief People Officer.**

This enables our Executive to positively engage in discussions, ensuring the RMO voice is heard and understood by those able to positively influence the RMO experience.



Photo: Rich Storey, Senior Executive at MCNZ

STONZ was invited in 2023 to present our feedback on the workforce pipeline and training pathways to **Te Kaunihera Rata o Aotearoa (MCNZ).**

Concerns raised included that the pipeline is very prescriptive with multiple, unblended stages along the journey.

STONZ are becoming **more vocal in the public arena** to help **foster better understanding of the issues doctors face.** You have likely seen some of our media articles as we continue with Negotiations.

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