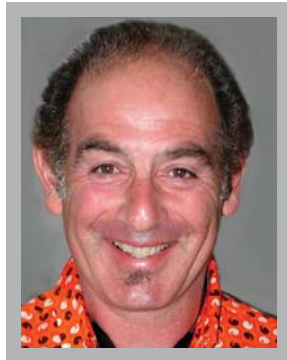


BUILDING TOMORROW'S HEALTH SERVICES

Biography



David Galler

Principal Medical Advisor
Ministry of Health

Dr David Galler has worked for more than 20 years in the health sector both in the UK and in Auckland. His qualifications include a BSc, MBChB, FFARACS, FANZCA and FJFICM. He is an Intensive Care Specialist by training and has worked as a Specialist at Middlemore Hospital since 1991 where he was previously the Clinical Director of Acute Care Services. During that time David was an Executive Member, Vice President and ultimately, the National President of the Association of Salaried Medical Specialists.

His clinical interests include Quality Improvement, new models of care, care of the burned patient and management of physiologically unstable patients on the wards. He continues to work at Middlemore half time.

Since late 2003, David has been on secondment to the Ministry of Health from Counties Manukau DHB on a half-time basis.

The role of the Principal Medical Advisor includes: provision of medical advice to the Director-General and the Minister; medical input into policy development; functioning as a liaison between the Ministry and the medical profession. The Principal Medical Advisor is seconded from the sector to ensure strong and ongoing sector linkages.

His major interests since arriving in the Ministry have been in the fields of Quality Improvement, improved relationships with the sector, new models of care within and across our District Health Boards, shared decision making in Governance and in promoting a more inclusive and collaborative working style from the Ministry of Health.