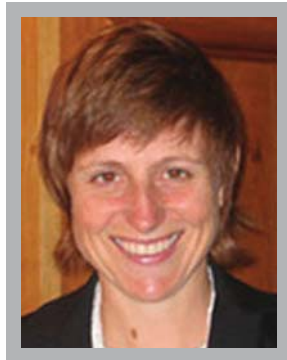


# Biography



## **Dr Mary Seddon**

*Clinical Director, Quality Improvement Unit/Te Pai Huanga*  
**Counties Manukau District Health Board**

---

Mary Seddon is the Clinical Director of the Quality Improvement Unit at Middlemore Hospital, Auckland, New Zealand. She brings her perspective as an internal medicine specialist and a public health physician to this role, as well as the skills that she learned while at the Harvard Medical School and Institute for Healthcare Improvement, where she was placed as a Harkness Fellow. It was during this year that she became interested in healthcare quality; specifically how it can be measured and improved.

She directs the Middlemore Hospital Patient Safety Campaign, with a focus on medication safety, prevention of iatrogenic infections and the introduction of an Early Warning Score. She is also on the regional Quality Improvement collaborative and regional Electronic Discharge Summary committee. She is a member of the DHBNZ Safe and Quality Use of Medicines Committee, and the National Quality Improvement Committee.

She has been responsible for the interdisciplinary teaching of root-cause-analysis, the medical undergraduate quality improvement programme and as a guest lecturer in post-graduate courses in quality.