

BUILDING TOMORROW'S HEALTH SERVICES

Biography



Pat Snedden

Chair of Quality Improvement Committee and Auckland DHB

Pat Snedden is a 53 year old Pakeha who began his professional life in publishing after graduating in 1979 from Auckland University in accounting, economics and anthropology. He has been self-employed since 1984 and started in the health sector in 1987 as a business adviser to union health services, the forerunner to Health Care Aotearoa, a primary care network of Maori, Pacific Island and community groups within the not-for-profit health sector. Since 1982 he has worked as an economic adviser to the Ngati Whatua o Orakei Maori Trust Board and he is part of their Treaty negotiation team.

For many years he has been a corporate director and was a founding director of Mai FM, this country's first Maori commercial radio station. He now has roles in public sector governance.

Currently he chairs the Housing New Zealand Corporation and the Auckland District Health Board and the Quality Improvement Committee. He is a director on Watercare Services, the wholesale wastewater and water company for Auckland. He is also deputy-Chair of the ASB Community Trusts, the region's philanthropic trust.

In 2006 his book, *Pakeha and the Treaty, Why it's our Treaty too* won first prize in the first author, non-fiction section at the Montana Book Awards.