

Barbara Holland QSO

Consumer Council Chairperson

Barbara has wide-ranging experience representing consumer interests at local and national level and has extensively contributed to health policy making.



Former roles include patient advocate; lay member on a health professional Regulatory Authority; and long term Meals-on-Wheels driver.

Current positions include: membership of the National Screening Advisory Committee and the Breast Screen Aotearoa Advisory Group.

As Coordinator of the West Coast Well Women's Centre and national co-Convenor of the Federation of Women's Health Councils she is very aware of the wider social forces that shape our wellbeing and the barriers to optimising effective partnerships in our personal health care.

Barbara is keen to ensure both patients and the wider public know what health care choices are available to them and where, what questions to ask about their own personal care, and how to access other support that may be needed at the right time.