

Our Trustees



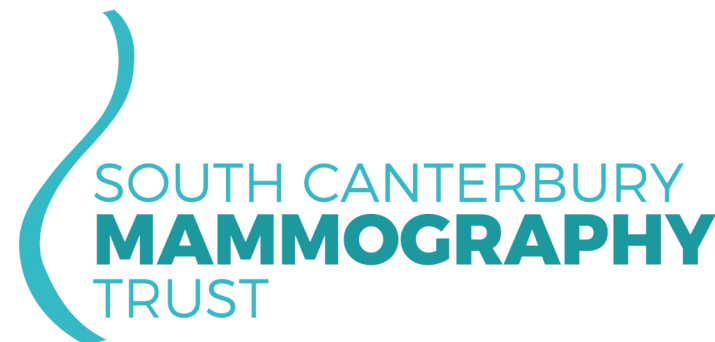
L to R: Jo Doyle (chair), Dr Magda Sakowska, Pam Allan, Jemma Reid (admin), Nicola Hornsey, Karyn Honniwell, Ann Low.
Absent: Anah Aikman & Dr Kerry Pearson

If you wish to support our cause feel free to get in touch.

We always welcome donations or fundraising efforts so we can do more to support women's unmet health needs in South Canterbury

**South Canterbury
Mammography Services
Trust**
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Impact Report

2023 - 2024

Our Mission:

Funding Unmet Health Needs for Women in South Canterbury

Note from the Chair

SCMT remains a unique and vital resource for women in South Canterbury, providing additional breast screening services and support beyond what is covered by the government.

BreastScreen Aotearoa currently offers government-funded breast cancer screening to women aged 45-69 every two years. The government has pledged to extend screening to women up to age 74, although the timeline for this extension is yet to be announced.

Since 2019, SCMT has been providing extended breast screening for women beyond age 69. Through this initiative, an additional 1,216 screening mammograms have been done in the extended age group. Beyond screening, SCMT offers significant support to those affected by breast cancer. Each year, we distribute hardship grants to individuals in financial need due to their diagnosis. Nearly \$60,000 in welfare grants has been provided to women in our community. Additionally, the Trust has funded gene expression profiling tests through Oncotype DX for eligible women.

These tests, typically costing around \$5,500, offer personalized insights to help determine whether chemotherapy is needed alongside anti-oestrogen therapy, potentially avoiding unnecessary treatment.

Jo Doyle Chairperson

Our 2023-2024 Goals

1

Financial Stability

Ensuring we are able to meet the South Canterbury Communities needs into perpetuity

2

Screening Support

Helping to increase the numbers currently screened in the existing programmes and; Screening women aged 70-74 years biennially

3

Funding Unmet Needs

Offering grants to those in financial hardship and; funding Oncotype-DX for those that meet the criteria for screening

4

Education

Advocacy and education for women in South Canterbury:

- with breast cancer
- around breast screening
- about the Trust

15

15 welfare grants
= \$14,500

1

Oncotype DX Grant
= \$5,500

269

Funded biennial
screens for women in
the 70-74yr age
bracket

46

Gift boxes given out
to women who have
received a breast
cancer diagnosis

Our ability to continue providing these essential services relies on the generosity of our donors.

Donations can be made to our Westpac Account: SC Mammography Services Trust
03-1715-0009302-00.

Looking ahead, once BreastScreen Aotearoa begins screening women aged 70-74, SCMT plans to use the freed-up funds to extend screening to younger women. Each screening mammogram outside the nationwide program costs our Trust \$163.

Your support is greatly appreciated and crucial in helping us continue our work.