Screening Issues for General Practice

Ross Lawrenson,

Chair: National Screening Advisory Committee,

NatiOnal Screening Advisory Committee *at* The Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners Conference, Christchurch, 3 September 2010

NSAC provides advice

- Screening practice (effectiveness, feasibility, costeffectiveness, harms vs benefits, impact on health care system);
- Social and ethical considerations;
- Evaluation and monitoring systems needed to assess the quality and performance of screening;
- Maximizing screening benefits while minimizing harms;
- Level of resources and capacity of the screening pathway for high-quality screening; and
- New screening programmes.

National Screening Advisory Committee (NSAC) Session

• Aiding better decisions - informed consent in prostate screening

Sacha Dylan

- Opportunistic Screening for Bowel Cancer in Advance of an Organised Screening Programme John Childs
- Gestational Diabetes Mellitus. Should GPs keep a register of everyone with GDM?

Ross Lawrenson

• Over diagnosis in screening: A medical delusion? *Jim Vause*