



**ANNUAL CARDIOTHORACIC
SURGERY MEETING
OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND**
Endorsed by ANZCTS

2026 Preliminary Programme

Friday 20th March 2026 | Trinity Wharf Hotel | Tauranga

7.00am-8.00am	Registration Open
8.00am-10.00am	Session 1: Case & Project Presentations
10.00am-13.00am	Morning Tea
10.30am-12.00pm	Session 2: Thoracic Innovations
12.00pm-1.00pm	Lunch
1.00pm-3.00pm	Session 3: Passing Marks for Failing Hearts
3.00pm-3.30pm	Afternoon Tea
3.30pm-5.30pm	Session 4: Everything's Going to Be all Right <ul style="list-style-type: none">Skills Lab Workshop
6.30pm	Welcome Dinner – Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Club

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7.00am-8.30am	Optional Group Activity – Mount Maunganui
9.45am-10.00am	Morning Tea
10.00am-11.00am	Session 5: Equity, Patient Perspectives & Outreach
11.15am-12.15pm	Session 6: All Things Aorta
12.15pm-1.15pm	Lunch / Surgeons Business Meeting
1.15pm-2.15pm	Session 7: Team Dynamics: Navigating Challenges & Achieving Excellence
2.15pm-3.00pm	Session 8: Get Your Rhythm Sorted
3.00pm-3.30pm	Afternoon Tea
3.30pm-5.00pm	Session 9: Breakout Sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Registrar Mock Oral ExamsNursing, Allied Health Presentations & DemonstrationsPerfusion UpdatesSkills Lab Workshop
6.30pm	Conference Dinner – Classic Flyers Museum, Tauranga



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Sunday 22nd March 2026 | Trinity Wharf Hotel | Tauranga

8.30am-9.45am	Session 10: Challenges in Perioperative Care
9.45am-10.15am	Morning Tea
10.15am-11.15am	Session 11: Awards & Final Remarks
11.30am	Conference Closes

