

INFINZ Emerging Leaders Group presents



The Auckland Next Directors Programme

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

The Next Directors Programme has been designed to **develop** and **mentor** individuals looking towards a **senior leadership role**, or would like to position themselves for **a governance role** in the future. The programme provides a comprehensive understanding of the requirements of the board and senior leadership team.

WHY APPLY?

- Learn the fundamentals of **how boards operate and plan your pathway towards senior leadership or board roles**
- Gain the confidence and knowledge to more effectively **contribute to the board and senior management**
- **Benefit from the guidance of a matched mentor** skilled in the areas you wish to develop **for twelve months**
- **Develop a wider network** through the broader industry eco-system via the alumni, speakers, and mentors
- **12 CPD Hours** in total

PROGRAMME DATES - AUCKLAND

Six two-hour sessions commencing
August through to November 2025

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 1ST AUGUST 2025

'The Next Director experience helped me develop knowledge and governance, tools and insights to help work with senior executives. The programme had a real community feel, with like-minded individuals and I strongly feel that being part of this programme had a positive influence on being appointed to my current role.'

'Brilliant course'

'Epic, thank you!'

'Loved the mix of academic insights and practical experience from speakers.'

- Alumni participant



ABOUT

The Next Directors Programme has been designed to develop and mentor individuals looking for a pathway to senior leadership and governance roles.

Now in its fourth year in Auckland, this successful programme provides a comprehensive overview of the fundamentals associated with the role of the board, being a director and the boards expectation of the senior management.

Attendees will also gain an understanding on how to become more influential and impactful in meeting the needs of senior management. The sessions will include topics on board principles and rules; governance and strategy; the role of the senior leadership team; and practical examples from industry leaders.

Each participant will be matched with a board/director **Mentor** who will guide them for a twelve-month period.

The programme sessions will be delivered over a four-month period, with six two-hour sessions running from August to November 2025.

The participants will be a small group of like-minded individuals, with the integrity of the programme based on the calibre of the alumni.

*Each session is expertly facilitated by **Lee Marshall**, Managing Partner at **Hunter Campbell**, Recruitment Specialists.*



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Professionals looking at ways to add value to the board and senior management
- Individuals between **32 – 45 years** of age who wish to prepare themselves for senior leadership and governance roles
- Those early in their governance career who wish to further develop their directorship capability

BENEFITS & OUTCOMES - PARTICIPANT

- Learn the fundamentals of what it takes to be a director and plan your path
- Gain the confidence and knowledge to more effectively contribute to the board and senior management
- Benefit from the guidance of a matched mentor skilled in the areas you wish to develop for twelve months
- Develop a wider network through the broader industry eco-system via the alumni, speakers, and mentors
- 12 CPD Hours in total
- Plus a year of mentoring from an experienced Board Director

BENEFITS & OUTCOMES - SPONSORING EMPLOYER

- Employee who is more effective at supporting the SLT and board
- Supports retention of rising star
- Provides significant growth and development opportunity
- Exceptional value professional development

THE PROGRAMME

1. SETTING THE SCENE

Thursday 14 August 2025

7.30am - 9.30am

Opening breakfast, meet your fellow participants; look at your career direction; mentoring and programme expectations.

FACILITATOR:

Lee Marshall, Managing Partner,
Hunter Campbell

2. GOVERNANCE 101

Thursday 28 August 2025

7.30am - 9.30am

Best practice; director obligations; corporate governance principles & rules.

SPEAKER

Kevin McCaffrey, Director, My Governance.

Former Associate Partner, EY People, Advisory Services; Governance & change management at EY, IBM, PwC, IOD. Master of Governance, Massey University

3. THE MANY FORMS OF A BOARD

Thursday September 2025

7.30am - 9.30am

From advisory board, not-for-profit, or sub-committee, to the dynamics and different roles of the board.

FACILITATOR:

MJ Daly,
Independent Director

4. THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE CEO

Thursday 23 October 2025

7.30am - 9.30am

What does the board expect from their CEO and how can the Senior Leadership Team assist?

FACILITATORS:

TBA

5. THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE CHAIR

Thursday 6 November 2025

7.30am - 9.30am

Keeping up with diversity & culture; governance leadership; and the Chair's expectations of the CEO and management team.

FACILITATORS:

TBA

6. WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNT?

Wednesday 12 November 2025

5.30pm - 7.30pm Evening

Graduation, Networking + Drinks

Graduation. Participants will share with the group their learnings from the programme and how they plan to apply them over a relaxed discussion at a cool venue within the city centre.

COST

The Next Directors Programme includes six two-hour sessions commencing from August until November 2025, plus a mentorship for twelve months.

\$1837.50* + GST for INFINZ Members

\$2467.50 + GST for Non-members

\$1653.75* + GST each if two members apply from the same organisation

*To be eligible for the Members discount, the applicant must be a financial member for the Membership Year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026.

HOW TO APPLY

Download and complete the Application Form from the website.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE
1st August 2025**

Return to Faith Taylor at support@infinz.com and include your LinkedIn Profile or CV.

Please note the Criteria on the Application Form.

The first five sessions will be held at Hunter Campbell office, Level 3, 13 Blake Street, Ponsonby. Sessions include breakfast, tea and coffee.

The final session, Graduation, will be held in the evening at Hunter Campbell.

FOR MORE DETAILS GO TO:

[HTTPS://WWW.INFINZ.COM/SITE/THENEXTDIRECTORS/](https://www.infinz.com/site/thenextdirectors/)

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