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## **Dr Karl Cole**

Karl Cole's career spans 29 years in the medical field, enriched by a fellowship with the Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners. His tenure as a General Practitioner in Papatoetoe, South Auckland, and co-ownership of a multidisciplinary Health Hub,

His recognition, includes awards such as the Health Informatics Leadership from HINZ and the ProCare Clinical Leadership Award in 2021, speaks volumes about his strategic mindset and contributions to the field.

He notably was one of the first in a role of Chief Clinical Informatic Officer in Aotearoa in 2018. With extensive service in the New Zealand Defence Force, including deployments with the UN and as a medical officer to the New Zealand Special Forces, he embodies strategic leadership and adaptability.

As a respected figure, Dr. Cole has roles on various clinical advisory boards, advocating for strategic ICT-enabled healthcare solutions that prioritize patient-centric, efficient care. His expertise in systemic thinking and strategy is poised to offer invaluable insights into navigating complex healthcare landscapes and driving impactful change.

