

## **Dr Sunil PENUMARTHY – NZ**



Dr Sunil Penumorthy is a first year House Officer at the Whanganui District Health Board in the north island of New Zealand.

Whanganui DHB received its first cohort of trainee interns in November 2019 and Dr Penumorthy stepped into the lead role of arranging trainee intern teaching after the resignation of another staff member.

Sunil has arranged lectures and teaching sessions that are clinically appropriate for the trainee interns for their first House Officer role, and has had good support from the nurse educators and his medical colleagues in delivering these sessions.

Sunil aims to establish a sustainable teaching program. He has surveyed the trainee interns to determine their needs, expectations and ideas for improving their level of preparation for commencing their medical careers in 2021. He has organised a House Officer Preparation Week to be delivered at the end of the trainee internship year.

In addition, Sunil has undertaken an audit for a physician which focused on the effectiveness of echo-cardiography in the local region.

Sunil is a member of the medical education committee, and the prevocational training representative for the District Health Board.