

# NZIEH VIRTUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE 2026 DRAFT PROGRAMME: TUESDAY 24 March 2026



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Time	Speaker(s)/Presentation
	<b>SESSION 1: 9.00am</b>
9.00am	<b>Welcome/Conference Opening</b> <i>Tanya Morrison, NZIEH National President</i>
9.05am	<b>IFEH Welcome</b> - <i>David Musoke, IFEH President-Elect</i>
9.10am	<b>KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Empowering and Protecting Our Communities by Effectively Communicating Environmental Public Health Risks</b> - <i>CDR Anna Khan, NEHA</i>
9.40am	<b>Simply Safe &amp; Suitable tFCP Specialist Cards; Development, verification and issues</b> - <i>Simon Holst, New Zealand Food Safety</i>
10.30am	<b>Morning Break (15 mins)</b>
	<b>SESSION 2: 10.45am</b>
10.45am	<b>Old Standard, New Guidelines: Applying NZS 6803 and the new AAAC Guidelines</b> - <i>Jon Styles, Styles Group</i>
11.35am	<b>Traditional Indigenous Foods: The Role of Environmental Health Professionals in Increasing Access and Decolonizing Food Safety</b> - <i>Kelsie Dale &amp; Casey Neathway, CIPHI</i>
12.15pm	<b>Action for Lead Poisoning Prevention</b> - <i>Tim Hopley, Health NZ</i>
12.40pm	<b>Lunch break (40 mins)</b>
	<b>SESSION 3: 1.15pm</b>
1.20pm	<b>Generative AI in practice: applying it to your context</b> - <i>Cowan Henderson, Avocado AI</i>
2.35pm	<b>What is a quality verification?</b> - <i>Damien Cleland, NZIEH National Executive</i>
2.40pm	<b>'To probe or not to probe'</b> - <b>Verifier calibration on cooking poultry and mince meat</b> - <i>Veena Lal-Boon, NZIEH National Executive</i>
2.45pm	<b>Afternoon break (15 mins)</b>
	<b>SESSION 4: 3.00pm</b>
3.05pm	<b>Chomp Bite #1: Simply Better: New Features, Confident Compliance</b> - <i>Jen Mitchell</i>
3.10pm	<b>Say Cheese, hands-on CPD learning</b> - <i>Dave Gallagher &amp; Bronwyn Johnson, Masterton District Council</i>
3.35pm	<b>Emergency Water Plan: Connecting the Drops</b> - <i>Nick Hewer-Hewitt, Wellington Water</i>
4.10pm	<b>Fisheries Compliance</b> - <i>Courtney Burn, Ministry for Primary Industries</i>
4.25pm	<b>Day 1 wrap-up</b>

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Time	Speaker(s)/Presentation
9.00am	<b>NZIEH MEMBERS AGM – LIVE</b>
	<b>SESSION 1: 9.30am</b>
9.30am	<b>Welcome/Day 2 Opening</b> <i>Tanya Morrison, NZIEH National President</i>
9.35am	<b>Hato Hone St John Major Incident Support Team (MIST) - EHOs strengthen emergency response</b> - <i>Stephen Bokkerink, NZIEH National Executive</i>
9.40am	<b>'Fifty Shades of Grey' - Verifying the design and use of places, facilities and essential services</b> - <i>Bryan Brett, NZIEH National Executive</i>
9.45am	<b>Compliance and enforcement approach across coregulators of the Food Act: a case study</b> - <i>Bethany Clapham, New Zealand Food Safety</i>
10.10am	<b>Morning Break (20 mins)</b>
	<b>SESSION 2: 10.30am</b>
10.30am	<b>Poop Story #342</b> - <i>Alison Smith, NZIEH National Executive</i>
10.35am	<b>HACCP Basics and the role of HACCP in food verifications</b> - <i>Ray Haddad, Food Surety Limited</i>
11.20am	<b>Dumped in the Deep End - Woes from a West Coast Landfill: Take Two</b> - <i>Tracey Feary, Food and Health Standards</i>
11.45am	<b>Let's cook with AI</b> - <i>James Gooch &amp; Darryl Booth, NEHA</i>
12.30pm	<b>Lunch break (40 mins)</b>
	<b>SESSION 3: 1.10pm</b>
1.15pm	<b>Chomp Bite #2: Audit Report Reimagined: More Features, Less Friction</b> - <i>Jen Mitchell</i>
1.25pm	<b>Elements and Ingredients of Offences</b> - <i>Brad Dannefaerd, CERT</i>
2.00pm	<b>The Physical Consequences of Digital Brilliance</b> - <i>Melissa Burn, Environmental Health Australia</i>
2.25pm	<b>EHO Knows podcast: Hangi Hygiene</b> - <i>Shane van de Vorstenbosch &amp; Monique Goodhew</i>
3.05pm	<b>Afternoon break (15 mins)</b>
	<b>SESSION 4: 3.20pm</b>
3.20pm	<b>Shiga toxin-producing E.coli (STEC) outbreak of waterborne illness at a Canterbury camping ground</b> - <i>Dr Cheryl Brunton, National Public Health Service &amp; Rachel East, The Water Service Authority, Taumata Arowai</i>
4.00pm	Conference wrap-up/Live grand Prize draw