

TNP launches TNP Professional Association

TNP are excited to announce the launch of its new professional association – TNPPA – which aims to serve the gaps in the compliance space for the professional risk adviser.

TNP Director of Development, Dr Dave McMillan, says that the development of the Professional Association is in response to numerous member requests for the service. “TNP’s key focus to date has been on the development of our members businesses. Many of them told us that they also wanted greater assistance in creating ‘best practice’ businesses in the regulated environment. They saw a particular need for us to provide leadership in the RFA space where the ability to differentiate a business on best practice criteria has been especially limited.”

TNPPA has been established specifically to comply with the Code of Professional Conduct for Financial Advisers (and meets the definition of a professional body) in order to provide advisers with confidence in their business and client operations. Their motto ‘Upholding care, diligence and skill’ has been employed to reinforce the fact of advisers needing to adhere to these particular key criteria against which their practices are measured.

There are three core components of the TNPPA service offering:

1. Compliance support – TNPPA provides a compliance helpdesk, advice process templates, forms and checklists, as well as regular compliance guidelines and updates about regulatory matters as they arise.
2. A Continuing Professional Development Programme that offers a series of training opportunities designed to assist members with meeting their continuing professional development objectives, as well as an online CPD planning and tracking tool.
3. A Professional Designation Programme that seeks to provide advisers with evidential recognition of education, excellence in business practice and professional tenure – something that has previously been unavailable for RFAs till now. There are currently three TNPPA designations available:
 - a. **TNPPA Certified:** this is predominantly a business practice designation that recognises business practice standards, educational standards and professional tenure.
 - b. **Associate Risk Adviser:** this education-based designation has been developed specifically for RFAs who have completed the Certificate in Financial Services in order to recognise their educational achievement and professional tenure.
 - c. **Chartered Risk Adviser:** similar to the Associate Risk Adviser, this designation recognises educational achievement at a diploma level.

TNPPA membership pricing is \$50 per month or \$550 single annual payment (incl GST) with a \$250 application fee. For TNP members, the application fee is waived and the annual membership is \$30 per month or \$300 single annual payment (incl GST).

“Obviously this is a service that is available to any advisers in the industry to be a part of, but discounted/subsidised pricing is available to members of TNP simply as a way of showing how much we support our valued members” says McMillan.

TNPPA is being launched at the TNP Seminar Series this week in locations around the country. Non-TNP members are welcome to attend the Seminar Series to find out more, but do need to register by emailing info@tnpnz.co.nz before attending.

Mon 20 Feb

DUNEDIN

Scenic Hotel
9.00am - 11.30am

Tues 21 Feb

WELLINGTON

Amora Hotel
9.00am - 11.30am

Wed 22 Feb

HAWKES BAY

Napier War Memorial Centre
8.30am - 11.00am* (*note
different timings*)

Wed 29 Feb

TAURANGA

The Sebel Trinity Wharf
9.00am - 11.30am

Mon 20 Feb

CHRISTCHURCH

Clearwater Resort
2.30pm - 5.00pm

Tues 21 Feb

PALMERSTON NORTH

Travelodge
2.30pm - 5.00pm

Wed 22 Feb

AUCKLAND

Ellerslie Convention Centre
2.30pm - 5.00pm

Wed 29 Feb

HAMILTON

Novotel
2.30pm - 5.00pm

For further information, go to www.tnppa.org.nz or phone 0508 4TNPPA (0508 486 772)

