

## Class of IAHSI – 2019



### Rebecca Grainger

Rebecca is an academic physician who contribution to Health Informatics includes work in her community hospital informatic technology service, research and teaching in Health Informatics at University of Otago and in leadership in Health Informatics New Zealand.

Rebecca is a consultant rheumatologist at the Wellington Regional Rheumatology Unit and an Associate Professor at University of Otago, Wellington, School of Medicine and Health Sciences, where she is also Associate Dean of Medical Education. A University of Otago medical graduate, she undertook rheumatology training in Melbourne and her PhD examined inflammatory mechanisms in gout.

Rebecca's clinical work focuses on assessment and management of inflammatory arthritis. She is passionate about patient-focused care and engaging with colleagues in primary and secondary care to provide the highest quality collaborative care for people with arthritis. This interest led her to informatics, where she uses this to improve the quality of patient care. She is a member of the Clinical User Group at Hutt Hospital, working with the Information Technology team to optimise IT solutions for clinicians. Rebecca's academic interests include outcome measures, non-pharmacological management of musculoskeletal disease, use of information technology solutions to optimise care for people with chronic rheumatic diseases and for use in medical education.

Rebecca is the Chair of the Board of Health Informatics New Zealand and a Trustee for Health Navigator, a national web-site for New Zealanders to get trusted health information.