

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND
National Assessment Workgroup

Presbytery/Te Aka Puaho Assessment of National Ordained Ministry Candidate

Candidate's Name:
Presbytery/Te Aka Puaho:
Candidate Convener's Name:

This form is completed as fully as possible by the Presbytery/Te Aka Puaho Candidates' Committee and forwarded to the Administrator of the National Assessment Workgroup at admin@knoxcentre.ac.nz, along with the Candidate's application form and papers by December 20th.

Please consult the current Knox Centre for Ministry & Leadership NOM Handbook and website (<http://www.ministryknox.ac.nz>) and the Book of Order.

Candidates who receive a positive recommendation together with a representative from their Presbytery/UDC/ or Te Aka Puaho attend a National Assessment Weekend, usually in May.

Presbyteries assess the candidates call, competence, potential for growth, ability to handle the studies and formation, and their leadership capacity and recommend only those candidates in which they have confidence. The Knox Centre for Ministry & Leadership will assess the general and theological studies the candidate has already completed. Requirements for General and Foundation Theological Studies are on the KCML website.

Date and place of Presbytery Assessment/Discernment Day:

Do you recommend this Candidate for National Assessment?

The Candidate Committee has the following reservations about the Candidate:

The Candidate's life or study may require special attention in the following areas:

Signed: Candidate Convener: _____ Date: _____

Presbytery Clerk/EO: _____ Date: _____

(To confirm the candidate's approval by their Presbytery Council.)

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If further comment is needed, please include these in a covering letter.

1. Christian character and sense of call

2. Leadership qualities exhibited in service to the Church and in other spheres

3. Length of communicant membership in the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand (at least 2 years is required)

4. Education and ability to benefit from further study. Capacity for university degree level studies, including fluency in English (note that speakers of English as a second language require an IELTS level of 6.5).

5. Attitude to and developing knowledge of the biblical witness

6. Emotional maturity and ability to relate to other people

7. Suitability for ministry both in specific cultural contexts and in the church generally

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8. Record of employment

9. Ability in public speaking

10. The support of the candidate's spouse and family

11. Financial position and commitments

12. Any record of a criminal conviction

13. Capacity for ministry formation including attitude towards the church, teachability, humility, willingness and desire to grow personally and as a minister of the gospel

14. Cross-cultural experience

15. Familiarity with and acceptance of policies on baptism, women in ministry, and sexuality

17. Any other comments