



## **Dougal McKechnie**

In a career spanning over twenty years Dougal has worked in a wide variety of public and private sector organisations in New Zealand and the United Kingdom. He has significant information and knowledge management expertise in a variety of professional disciplines and settings.

Most recently, Dougal was manager of the Health Information Strategy Advisory Committee an independent statutory body established by the Minister of Health to provide governance, oversight and leadership for the implementation of the eHealth strategy in New Zealand. In this role he has established strong clinical, consumer and executive networks across the health and disability system.

Particular achievements while at HISAC included the establishment of the Health Information Consumer Forum, working with various Expert Advisory Committees to develop and publish standards for strategic priority areas, and supporting the Committee to provide advice to Ministers and the health sector at large on the strategic landscape and progress against implementation.

Prior to health Dougal successfully led the development of the third iteration of the Justice Sector Information Strategy to 2011, which was approved by the six Justice Sector Ministers in 2006. He has held a variety of strategic information management roles in the justice sector working closely with the Judiciary, Ministers and the legal profession since 1998.

He has worked for The Treasury, Commerce Commission and Opus International Consultants. In the United Kingdom he worked for a number of blue chip firms including global architectural firm DEGW, British Airways, Price Waterhouse and Arthur Andersen.

Dougal has served on numerous committees involved in eGovernment, information management and professional initiatives. He has a Masters of Business Information Innovation from RMIT University in Melbourne.