

## SEMINAR Department of Public Health



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## **Gun policy in New Zealand after the** Christchurch massacre

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What has been achieved and what do we still need to do to create lasting change in our gun culture? The first round of legislation following the Christchurch massacre was an enormous achievement, the first substantial improvement in our gun legislation in decades. Nonetheless, it was far weaker than the legislation following the Port Arthur massacre in Australia. This seminar looks at claims about traditional kiwi gun culture, the role of hunting and farming, suicide and family violence. We then examine a range of measures that have been proposed to ensure that we have effective gun control into the future.





Hera is an interdisciplinary researcher. Her background is in social/cultural history and relations of power. Research projects include LGBTIQ homelessness, the history of emotional management, Female cosmetic genital surgery in the UK and USA, inequalities and New Zealand firearms policy. Marie is a qualitative social researcher, currently studying firearms, women's cycling, and breastfeeding rates. Other interests include workers' history and children's wellbeing.

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