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Minneapolis Heart Institute Foundation Cardiovascular Grand Rounds

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DATE: November 30, 2026 **TIME:** 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM **LOCATION:** MHI Building - MHIF Suite 100 Learning Center - Virtual Zoom

TOPIC(S) OR TITLE: **There and Back Again: A Cardiac Surgeon's Tale from Aotearoa New Zealand (VIRTUAL)**

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OVERVIEW/PURPOSE STATEMENT:

Our Cardiovascular Grand Rounds offers physicians and other health care providers the opportunity to review and discuss the latest developments in cardiovascular care every Monday morning during our Grand Rounds seasons. These weekly meetings feature topics across the spectrum of cardiovascular medicine. Practitioners share research highlights, offer treatment or diagnostic best practices, and collaborate to improve care for those with cardiovascular disease.

OVERALL OBJECTIVES:

1. Demonstrate improved awareness of emerging cardiovascular clinical care standards derived from new research
2. Discuss the implications on new cardiovascular care guidelines and develop more standardized approaches to treating cardiovascular disease
3. Utilize current evidence-based guidelines to improve standards of care for individuals with cardiovascular disease

LECTURE-SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

1. Describe how cardiac surgical care is delivered in Aotearoa New Zealand's five-unit public system, including its generalist practice, rheumatic heart disease case mix and triage under capped capacity.
2. Explain how no-fault treatment injury compensation (ACC) changes disclosure, morbidity and mortality review and the surgeon's relationship with patients after a complication, compared with the US medicolegal environment.
3. Identify where artificial intelligence is entering cardiothoracic practice and what a small health system's experience as a fast adopter offers to technology decisions in a large US centre.

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