

## Engage x PCF Post GR Taster Training Report

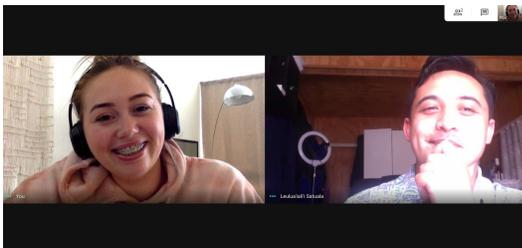


### **Shaneel Lala**

*Monday 18 January, 4:00pm - 5:00pm*

Shaneel was a delight to take through the course. Their current knowledge of the political system is second to none, with no course question posed that they could not answer. Through the length of the course we were able to exchange ideas around strategy for the *Conversion Therapy Action Group*,

and I suggested a potential tact change around the value in engaging with all political parties. A softly-spoken agent for change, Shaneel's ambition to leave the world better than they found it is unmistakable. I am excited to see them achieve their Conversion Therapy mission, which I have a strong sense will come to fruition this Parliamentary term.



### **Leulua'iali'i Satuala**

*Friday 22 January, 3:00pm - 4:00pm*

A very humble, open and respectful learner, Satuala is emblematic of the kind of advocate Engage wants encouraged into the government relations space. He was able to talk with passion of those things that he prioritises, while also taking care to respect other people's views, acknowledging not

everyone thinks the same. At the conclusion of learning we were able to talk in more detail about his Church Cultural Day coming up on 25 February, and I recommended he invite a wider selection of members from the Labour Pasifika caucus. Not only would this help highlight the mahi of the Church but would build greater ties with some of the newest Pasifika Members of Parliament. I am excited to watch Satuala thrive in the political space.



### **Dr Brittany Tasesa Stanley-Wishart**

*Monday 1 February, 3:00pm - 4:00pm*

An extremely capable, self-assured young wahine, I was excited to take Dr Stanley-Wishart through the workshop. She was up to date with modern politics in Aotearoa and, despite doubting herself, has an impressive understanding of the cross-section of

voices in Parliament. Brittany showed an aptitude for action, having already used the workshop insights to create a plan for action before we had even wrapped up. At the conclusion of the zui, Brittany told me she would be tabling the GR Taster course at her upcoming Counties-Manukau DHB Board meeting, suggesting *A Seat At The Table* - a DHB governance programme for young adults interested in health board governance that she is part of - adopt the course for all attendees: an extremely gracious gesture.