



Psychologist - Oranga Tamariki

Psychologist positions x6 - full-time, fixed-term - Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children

Fixed-term until June 2021

- **3x Psychologists at Grafton Central Auckland**
- **3x Psychologists at Manukau South Auckland**

Clinical Services Oranga Tamariki invites applications from Registered Psychologists for six fixed-term, full-time positions at either Puawaitahi (Multi-Agency Centre, Grafton) or Te Pou Herenga Waka (Multi-Agency Centre, Manukau, Auckland). The Centres are a joint initiative between Oranga Tamariki Clinical Services, District Health Boards, and New Zealand Police to assure positive outcomes for children and young people who have experienced abuse.

Applicants must be registered with the New Zealand Psychologists Board.

The Clinical Services teams are small teams of clinicians (psychologists and therapists) who provide psychological and therapeutic assessments and specialist interventions to children and young people who have experienced abuse and neglect. Experience working with children in a care and protection environment, specifically providing assessment and therapy with children and their families/caregivers, and assessments of parenting capacity will be an advantage. Responsibilities will include working with Māori and Pacifica clients, providing professional consultation to Social Workers, and liaising with community providers.

The diversity in this role provides the flexibility in the use of evidence-based therapy models and intervention tools to achieve positive outcomes for children and their whanau. Further, successful applicants will likely gain exposure to comprehensive specialist parenting assessment work which can be preparatory for Family Court and other complex work.

Oranga Tamariki has wide-ranging statutory responsibilities and is committed to services that are culturally appropriate. Oranga Tamariki recognises and has a commitment to the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi. Salary will be according to the relevant Oranga Tamariki Psychologist Scale.

We offer:

- Regular clinical supervision
- Opportunities for further professional development
- Opportunities to work alongside various groups, build your network and strengthen community relationships

- Salary \$74,188 to \$85,965 per annum (in line with skills and experience)

What you will bring?

- Be registered with the New Zealand Psychologists Board
- Proven work experience as a Psychologist with children and young people would be an advantage
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills with the ability to adapt to your audience
- Strong engagement and relationship building skills
- Culture awareness
- Empathy, patience and ability to see past what someone may be struggling with
- Sound judgement and organisational skills
- The ability to manage risk and make difficult decisions
- A positive outlook and supporting nature
- Ability to discern and unpack complex situations
- Understanding of the Oranga Tamariki Act

How to apply?

Apply online with your CV and cover letter. If you are an Oranga Tamariki employee already, please apply through your myHR portal.

If you have any queries, please contact Sravani Peddibhotla at Sravani.peddibhotla@ot.govt.nz

Hurry as applications close the Friday, 29 May 2020.

Position description: <https://www.msd.govt.nz/hr/documents/position-descriptions/mvcot/psychologist-ot.pdf>

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