

COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGIST

- Full-time, permanent position
- Free parking in a great South Auckland location with an on-site café!
- Bright and welcoming work environment with ample further education opportunities

Ko wai mātou - Our Purpose...

Totara Hospice provides leading edge palliative care services to patients and whānau to promote wellness and encourage a high quality of life for those living with life limiting illnesses. We take a collaborative approach to providing this care and you can expect to work within a multi-disciplinary team that ensures our patients are able to live their last years of life well and enables you to find joy in your work.

Te tūranga - The Role...

Totara Hospice adopts a holistic assessment and care planning program that is underpinned by a Te Whare Tapa Whā framework where the team collaborates in partnership with the patient and whānau. We are looking for a hands-on, passionate and innovative individual who is focused on delivering excellent psychology services to the patients and families who use our service.

South and South East Auckland is a melting pot of ethnicities and cultures and we are a workforce who reflect our diverse community. We promote diversity and inclusion, ensuring all staff and visitors enjoy cultural safety and celebration of difference.

As our Counselling Psychologist you will be working across the spectrum from everyday adjustment difficulties to more severe worries and anxieties. You will also be responsible for:

- Providing effective and timely psychological services and group work to patients and whānau referred by our Allied Health and Social Support Team
- Ensure counselling, bereavement and support is provided to patients and whānau to assist in adjusting to the challenges of being in a palliative state in order to promote living well
- Developing brief psychological interventions to patients to resolve concerns
- As a member of a multi-disciplinary team, you will also be providing consultation, education and advice to your team members

Ngā pūkenga e hiahiatia/What we would like to see from you:

- Must be currently registered with the NZ Psychologists Board
- We welcome candidates from diverse backgrounds who will enrich our understanding of the needs of our patients and whānau but it would be a bonus if you have solid experience in providing services during times of grief and loss
- You will have a warm and friendly approach and the ability to use a range of therapeutic modalities appropriate to the client's needs, culture and concerns
- Cultural awareness with an understanding and respect for our diverse community, and for the journey each patient and family is travelling
- Full clean NZ driver's licence

Note: We would also welcome expressions of interest from Psychologists who are currently completing post graduate studies in Counselling and seeking an internship to support their studies.

For more information or any queries about the role, please contact Marleen Tuigamala, Manager for Social & Cultural Support and Community Networking directly on 09-640 0202 or marleen.tuigamala@hospice.co.nz.