

Clinical Advisory Services Aotearoa Ltd (CASA) Ngā koru whirinaki o te rau aroha

Towards Wellbeing (TWB) Programme

POSITION: Towards Wellbeing Clinical Advisor – 16 hours per week

LOCATION: National position (work from home, travel for meetings and to Oranga Tamariki sites required)

CLOSING DATE: 28/02/2025

Clinical Advisory Services Aotearoa (CASA) Ngā Koru Whirinaki o te Rau Aroha is seeking Clinical Advisors for the Towards Wellbeing (TWB) Programme. CASA delivers national services in the suicide prevention and postvention area through a passionate team based around Aotearoa.

TWB Clinical Advisor:

The TWB programme works remotely with Oranga Tamariki (OT) social workers to support the wellbeing of young people on their caseloads for whom there are concerns around suicide risk. The aim of the Programme is to maintain and increase well-being in young people identified with risk factors for suicide in order to decrease their current and future suicide risk. The TWB programme has an emphasis on identifying and responding to both acute and chronic suicide risk.

Our TWB advisors are experienced mental health clinicians with specialist knowledge of working with high-risk young people and developing/formulating risk assessments and management plans. Based around Aotearoa with allocated OT sites (and caseloads), our TWB clinical advisors have regular contact with social workers primarily via phone and email. This model of contact allows all OT sites to have easy access to mental health and specialist advice and support in assessing suicide risk and responding to this. Training for new social workers, residence staff, and in-service training for current OT staff is part of the TWB clinical advisor role.

Ideal applicants will have the following attributes:

- Strong professional background in mental health including experience and knowledge in suicide risk assessment, formulation and management with youth
- Be registered health professionals in psychology, social work, occupational therapy or nursing, and have knowledge and adherence to your professional code of ethics
- Excellent interpersonal skills including respect for different multidisciplinary strengths and perspectives
- A good understanding and appreciation of the role culture plays in wellbeing
- Enthusiasm for working alongside others in a consultation and supervisory role
- Excellent training facilitation skills
- Flexibility to manage a varying workload
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Experience and confidence with IT and databases, including learning and navigating new systems
- Flexibility to travel

The TWB work is done from a base of your choosing with internet connection. Applicants will need to travel to Oranga Tamariki sites that they are supporting and attend TWB/CASA national meetings so flexibility to travel is essential. TWB Clinical Advisors are required to structure their working hours to allow reasonable availability to both OT social workers and TWB Helpdesk. This includes not having a longer time frame than two working days between when they are available.

Intended start date is March/April 2025.

If you are interested in this role, please send your expression of interest letter and CV to Lauren Gaffaney, Clinical Manager, by **Friday 28th February 2025**

For further information or queries, please contact:

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