



**Kaiāwhina  
Family Services/Allied Health**

*E ngā mana, e ngā reo, rau rangatira mā, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.*

Hospice Waikato is an inclusive and supportive organisation focused on leading the specialist field of palliative care. We are committed to providing patient and whānau focused, professional care, for people living with life limiting illnesses.

**We currently have an opportunity for Kaiāwhina to join our Family Services Team.**

The key role of Kaiāwhina is to offer cultural support, advocacy and awhi to Māori patients and their whānau who come into our services. Our Kaiāwhina will be responsible for developing and delivering education on tikanga guidelines and practice, in the context of palliative care, to our teams and those we care for.

This is an opportunity to join our team on a permanent part-time basis. We are looking to have two Kaiāwhina working 2-3 days each per week, however, this is open to discussion for the right candidates.

To succeed, you will be comfortable supporting patients and their whānau through palliative and end of life care. You will also need to be highly motivated and innovative with strong communication, relationship, education, and administrative skills.

**To be the right fit for this role and our organisation you would have:**

**Essential:**

- A tertiary qualification in Māori, Social Sciences, Health or similar
- In-depth knowledge of tikanga Māori
- Knowledge of Māori health providers and social services agencies within the Waikato and Maniapoto region
- Sound understanding of Te Tiriti and its practical application in the Health/Social Science sector
- Education experience
- Experience in working autonomously and as part of an interdisciplinary team
- Emotional maturity and resilience
- Current full New Zealand driver's licence
- Established networks within Māori communities

**Desirable:**

- Proficient written and spoken Te Reo
- Understanding of palliative care or community-based health service delivery

**In return, Hospice Waikato offers a place which:**

- Supports its people emotionally and professionally
- Is committed to being the best in its field
- Develops its people to the highest professional skill level
- Delivers its services with a multidisciplinary focus

*Perhaps you have some but not all the above?* Contact Vivien Young, Family Services Manager, at [viven.young@hospicewaikato.org.nz](mailto:viven.young@hospicewaikato.org.nz) to discuss any aspects of the role.

**Apply via [SEEK](#).** Applications close 1 July and will be reviewed throughout this time. Find more about Hospice Waikato and a copy of the position description at <http://www.hospicewaikato.org.nz/>.

The successful applicant will be required to undertake pre-employment health screening (including drug testing) and complete a criminal records check, the results of which must be to Hospice Waikato's satisfaction. Applicants must have the right to work in NZ and be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 as required by health providers.