

COUNSELLOR

- Work in the multidisciplinary team and provide grief and loss counselling
- Perform a privileged role in supporting patients and whānau
- Part time job share based at our Takapuna hospice

Walk alongside patients, family and whānau, supporting them with a variety of counselling services to provide quality end of life care.

About the role

Our Family Support team provide holistic care to our patients, families and whānau in the community and also in our in-patient units. We need a qualified Counsellor to join the North Shore team in our Takapuna in-patient unit for 2 days a week (job share). Working every Monday and Tuesday, you'll be part of the multidisciplinary team and support patients and whānau with grief and bereavement counselling either in one on one, or group sessions. We'd also like you to set up and facilitate a bereavement group for family/whānau members of those who have died. You will also:

- Receive referrals and assess the psychosocial needs of patients and whānau
- Be alongside family/whānau/friends as they sit with their loved one at end of life or for symptom management
- Provide face to face counselling services drawing on evidence-based practice such as narrative therapy
- Play an active role in the multidisciplinary team, communicating cases clearly and contributing to patient management
- Work with colleagues and external agencies to provide best support for family/whānau

About you

You have experience in palliative care and/or grief and loss counselling and a genuine interest in and affinity with the work of hospice. We're looking for a special type of person who has the life skills and professional counselling experience to provide compassionate counselling services to patients and whānau and to talk with them about the issues they are facing and how to deal with the multitude of emotions, thoughts and feelings they are going through.

You will also demonstrate:

- A degree or post graduate qualification in counselling
- Current annual practicing certificate with NZAC and/or a member of NZCCA
- A willingness and openness to learning about and work with different cultures and perspectives including Te Ao Maori
- A collaborative and motivated approach to working in teams
- A natural curiosity and keenness to innovate and try new things

About us

Harbour Hospice is one of the largest hospices in New Zealand, caring for patients and their whānau for almost 40 years. Every day we care for more than 350 people across the North Shore, Hibiscus Coast

Compassionate

Aroha

Inclusive

Mo te katoa

Professional

Tautikanga

and Warkworth/Wellsford regions, supporting them at home (or in one of our three sites) to live every moment in whatever way is most important to them.

Our bespoke services, given free of charge, include medical care, spiritual support, physiotherapy, social activities and more.

What's in it for you?

Our people are at the heart of our organisation. Caring, courageous, compassionate and driven to deliver the best care possible, our people are the reason Hospice has the reputation that it does.

If successful, you'll be welcomed with an in-depth induction, ongoing development opportunities including paid study leave, External Supervision and a high trust culture. You'll be an important part of a well-established, supportive and dedicated multidisciplinary team who share a passion for making every moment count for the people we care for at Hospice.

You'll not only develop meaningful relationships with your colleagues, but best of all, you'll make an immeasurable impact on the lives of your patients. You'll not only give specialist care, but also help to create moments and memories that will stay with families for a lifetime.

How to apply

For more information or to obtain a position description call Peggy Newton, Recruitment Specialist, on 021 241 5567 or click below to submit your application online. Be sure to include a cover letter about you and why you'd like to join the team.

Link to apply: <https://tt.harbourhospice.org.nz/jobs/1974966-counsellor>

To be considered for this role you will need to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Evidence of your vaccination status will need to be provided prior to employment.