POSITION DESCRIPTION

Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children



Title: Senior Analyst, Quality Systems

Group: Professional Practice

Reports to: Manager Quality Systems and Analysis

Location: Wellington

Direct Reports: No

Budget: No

OUR ORGANISATION

About us

Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children is a Ministry dedicated to supporting any child in New Zealand whose wellbeing is at significant risk of harm, now or in the future. We also work with young people who may have offended, or are likely to offend. Our belief is that, in the right environment, with the right people surrounding and nurturing them, any child can, and should, flourish.

Our vision

Our vision is: New Zealand values the wellbeing of tamariki above all else.

Our purpose

Our purpose is: To ensure that all tamariki are in loving whānau and communities where oranga tamariki can be realised.

The Oranga Tamariki way

We're introducing a new way of doing things. A way of looking at the world that guides everything we do:



Our core outcomes

Our core outcomes are:

- All children and young people are in loving families and communities where they can be safe, strong, connected, and able to flourish
- Improved outcomes for all children, especially tamariki and rangatahi Māori.

POSITION PURPOSE

Our desired future is one where we understand the quality of the work we do and the impact it has on the tamariki and whānau we work with. We regularly monitor frontline practice and the context it occurs in, to improve the services we provide and the outcomes we achieve for tamariki and their whānau.

The role of the Quality Systems unit is to support Oranga Tamariki in achieving its outcomes by providing processes, tools and analysis to support continuous improvement in its practice for tamariki and their whānau.

The purpose of the Senior Analyst role is to lead work around the provision of quality data, analysis and information to support quality assurance for Oranga Tamariki operational delivery. This role provides support across the Professional Practice Group.

KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES

Key Result area	Key Accountabilities
Data Collection and Data Management	 Lead and contribute to the development of questionnaires and other data collection processes, using best practice approaches and applying the most appropriate methodology
	 Lead or support the implementation of data collection processes (includes survey collection and administrative data extraction)
	 Set up and continuously improve systems and processes that enable the efficient and accurate collection of data
	 Design, develop and maintain databases and/or systems fo organising data and information.
Analysis, Reporting, and Monitoring	 Lead and contribute to the development of analytical products, and monitoring and reporting frameworks
	 Extract and analyse information in line with business rules, identifying and providing explanations for any anomalies or issues while identifying potential impacts/risks of information provided
	 Use statistical methods to analyse data and generate reports, including determining the most appropriate approach to best meet the needs of the business
	 Liaise closely with practitioners and subject matter experts to add value and to ensure the accuracy of data analysis and reporting
	 Provide timely and accurate information, analysis and reporting (eg regular and ad hoc reports) to a variety of internal and external stakeholders, including the Leadership Team
	 Lead analytical and reporting processes, and adjust the language and content of communications to inform, influence and support intended audiences
	 Document, and continuously improve, analysis and reporting processes and systems
	 Collect, evaluate and analyse organisational data, and provide recommendations to improve the quality of practice.

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Support	 Support the Professional Practice Group and other teams across Oranga Tamariki with data, analysis, and other methodological support as required
	 Lead or support responses to requests for data (eg, Official Information Act requests, Parliamentary Questions)
	 Contribute to other areas of the work programme as agreed with the Manager Quality Systems and Analysis, and in accordance with the needs of Oranga Tamariki, your professional areas of expertise, and your personal development plan.
Continuous Improvement and Innovation	 Contribute to the continuous improvement of systems and processes that are used in Quality Systems and more widely across Oranga Tamariki
	 Find innovative solutions to improve how data is collected, analysed and presented/communicated.
Business Engagement	 Establish and maintain strong relationships within Oranga Tamariki to ensure an awareness and commitment to a culture of quality and continuous improvement at all levels
	 Represent the Quality Systems unit and Professional Practice Group in a variety of forums and settings
	 Ensure communications with business units and stakeholders are timely, easily understood and meet the needs of the audience.
Mentoring and Leadership	 Coach, mentor, support, and assist other members of the Quality Systems unit, Professional Practice Group and the wider organisation
	 Demonstrate the behaviour of a leader. Create a supportive and positive environment, help others develop and achieve, and act in the interests of the team and organisation
	 Use initiative and provide support to the manager in their leadership of the team, by identifying opportunities to share leadership challenges and becoming a source of advice and support for others
	 Work creatively in a problem-solving environment, demonstrating teamwork, innovation and excellence.
Cultural Competence	 Ensure your work reflects our Māori cultural framework and, where necessary, seek guidance and feedback about this
	 Demonstrate understanding of, and commitment to, our Māori cultural framework.
Being part of the Oranga	- Actively and positively participate as a member of the team
Tamariki team	 Proactively look for opportunities to improve the quality of practice of Oranga Tamariki
	 From time to time, you may be required to perform other reasonable duties as requested by your manager
	- Comply with and support all health and safety policies, guidelines

Key Result area	Key Accountabilities
	and initiatives
	 Ensure all incidents, injuries and near misses are reported into our H&S reporting tool
	 Comply with all legislative and regulatory requirements, and report any breaches as soon as they become known
	 Adhere to all Oranga Tamariki procedures, policies, guidelines, and standards of integrity and conduct
	 Demonstrate a commitment to, and respect for, the Treaty of Waitangi and incorporate these into your work.

KEY RELATIONSHIPS

Internal	Other members of the Quality Systems Unit
	Other teams within the Professional Practice Group
	The Oranga Tamariki Evidence Centre
	- Business Information team
	Oranga Tamariki operational managers and leadership
	Other Oranga Tamariki staff, such as Practice Leaders and National
	Office subject matter experts.
External	- Ministry of Social Development
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	External bodies involved with the independent review of Oranga
	Tamariki
	Other government departments and social sector agencies
	Overseas jurisdictions where appropriate
	External data agencies and/or bodies that would provide support
	where appropriate.

QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE

Qualifications	 An appropriate, relevant tertiary qualification and/or a high level of relevant equivalent experience in data analysis, reporting and information management is desirable.
Experience	 Managing the collection of data, from engaging with respondents/data sources to back-end data management Extracting, manipulating and cleaning raw data to make it fit for use
	 Providing information and analysis from a range of large and complex datasets, to make a difference by providing insights and recommendations and to support decision making
	 Engaging and building relationships with stakeholders in order to understand and be responsive to their needs

- Communicating information to a broad range of audiences using a variety of approaches
- Responding to data and information requests.

Preferred

- Survey development methodology, including information needs analysis, questionnaire design, sampling design, and development of associated IT tools to collect data
- Presenting information using dynamic data visualisation tools (eg, SAS VA, Power BI, Tableau, R Shiny)
- Experience of analytics with social sector data or in a government setting
- Practical project management experience or experience overseeing and prioritising workflow in a busy operational environment.

Skills/Competencies

- Excellent analytical skills an ability to analyse data to determine key facts, trends and issues, and present robust analysis and conclusions
- Ability to translate and communicate (verbal, written, interpersonal) information and analysis into outputs that can be readily interpreted by operationally-focused and non-technical people
- Ability to build effective working relationships within the team (ie, a team player) and across the business (ie, client centred) to achieve desired outcomes
- Strong strategic thinking and the ability to link strategy into daily work and outputs
- Highly developed time management skills, including the ability to manage conflicting and concurrent activities, and meet tight timeframes
- Understanding and appreciation of cross-cultural issues and concerns, in particular knowledge of tikanga Māori and Pacific peoples' cultures
- Ability to use statistical analysis software and associated programming languages to manipulate and analyse data (eg, SAS, SPSS, R, Python)
- High degree of expertise with Microsoft Office (especially MS Excel). Understanding of VBA an advantage.