POSITION DESCRIPTION

Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children



Title: Team Leader Site Support

Group: Policy and Organisational Strategy

Reports to: Manager Feedback and Complaints

Location: Wellington

Direct Reports: Yes

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 whanau 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

The purpose of this role is to lead the practice of Site Support Senior Advisors who are based across all the main centres delivering advice and support to sites and regions in regards to complaint management.

The Team Leader site Support will work closely with the Manager Feedback and Complaints to ensure consistent delivery across the country. This role champions excellence in site support, a strong service culture and seeks opportunities for continuous improvement in support of the delivery of integrated site support service delivery.

The role is key in driving change and best practice of the management of complaints within the operational sites and teams.

KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES

Key Result area	Key Accountabilities
Advice and Support	 Provide subject matter expertise, leadership and escalation for team members Ensure that the site support advisory team provide effective support across Oranga Tamariki.
Continuous Improvement Identification	 Ensure the team are identifying opportunities to improve the policies and practices of Oranga Tamariki while working with sites and regions to resolve complaints. Drive change within policy and practice by ensuring any opportunities for improve are managed and presented to relevant governance bodies. Work with sites and regions to understand recommendations
	made and how they can be implemented.
People Management	 Lead in a manner that promotes and encourages a culture of team work, innovation and excellence in public service Ensure the site support team meet their objectives by delivering
	quality and professional services to Oranga Tamariki managers and staff
	 Establish priorities and plans for service delivery, manage workload distribution, allocation of tasks and monitor service levels
	 Foster people development by developing and implementing clear performance objectives, coaching, providing feedback, encouraging knowledge management and skills development
	 Develop, plan and deliver team induction and ongoing training
	 Act as a first point of escalation in order to solve operational or procedural issues; management of escalations etc.
	 Oversee operational processes, and lead employees in the team assigned
	 Manage workflow in conjunction with the site support team, by ensuring appropriate planning, prioritisation and re-prioritisation

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	of work as required, ensuring that priority work is completed to an appropriate standard.
Leadership	 Future builder - help staff and the organisation navigate the future
	 People builder – develop people and identify talent
	 Deliverer - make things happen, with and through others
	 Steward - lead in a public service context, contributing to a better. New Zealand
	 Culture builder – promote and champion a positive, solution focus team and organisational culture
	 Understand and implement your manager Health, Safety and Security accountabilities
	 Ensure health, safety and security policies and procedures are understood, followed and implemented by all employees.
Risk Management	 Identify any organisational risks and take action to minimise the impact
	 Effectively manage risks and escalate risks and propose appropriate mitigation where necessary.
Relationship Management	 Develop and maintain effective working relationships across Oranga Tamariki to ensure a thorough understanding of the business and its support requirements.
	 Build relationships with clients and community partners to understand the business context in which Feedback and Complaints services are delivered
	 Foster strong collaborative and outcome-focused relationships with sites and regional leadership.
Process Improvement	 Develop, maintain and update process documentation (working in collaboration with the wider Feedback and Complaints team) and communicate to stakeholders as appropriate
	 Monitor and evaluate the performance levels within the team with a view to identifying ways of improving performance levels
	 Investigate and document root causes of process irregularities, to inform prevention of future reoccurrences and to improve processes
	 Contribute to the client service delivery strategy with a view to improving performance
	 Look for opportunities to maintain and raise the knowledge of Feedback and Complaints within Oranga Tamariki.
Reporting	 Monitor the collection and cleansing of data to populate management reporting systems.

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Client Service	 Ensure all feedback is recognised, recorded, managed and/or escalated as appropriate and that people are kept informed of the status and outcome
	 Possess a strong awareness of client satisfaction through regular contact and objective measures where possible
	 Deal effectively with feedback and service related issues, liaising with the key managers where appropriate
	 Optimise the use of ICT to deliver cost effective and efficient service.
Team Work	 Undertake any project work relevant to the activities of the site support team
	 Contribute as a key project team member to a wide range of projects focused on the development of new initiatives, programmes and policies across all aspects of our Feedback and Complaints strategy
	 Work collaboratively with other people and in the team to support key team objectives being achieved and share information and support proactively
	 Support Feedback and Complaints in policy matters, participating in or recommending appropriate decisions
	 Act as a liaison to external and internal partners.
Being part of the Oranga	- Actively and positively participate as a member of the team
Tamariki team	 Proactively look for opportunities to improve the operations of Oranga Tamariki
	 Perform any other duties as needed by Oranga Tamariki
	 Comply with and support all health and safety policies, guidelines 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

- Oranga Tamariki Managers
- Public, Ministerial and Executive team
- Oranga Tamariki staff

External

- Ministry of Social Development (MSD) counterparts
- Other government agencies

QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE

Qualifications A recognised qualification or studies/papers completed in social work (ideal) or related fields such as psychology, education, social work, nursing, management, business administration, sport and recreation management, or other related fields A clean, current driver's licence is essential and a willingness to drive the Ministry's vehicles. Other Requirements Willingness to travel within New Zealand to fulfil the requirements of the role. **Experience** Demonstrated people management experience in leading high performing teams Knowledge and/or experience of contemporary issues in social services delivery Experience at a team leader level in the operations and service delivery aspects of the social services sector within Oranga Tamariki or comparable organisation Experience in managing a multi-disciplinary team Sound understanding of, and preferably experience in working within the statutory obligations of Oranga Tamariki; and a strategic overview of the business of Government and the State Sector environment Experience of being adept at managing multiple tasks and prioritising the demands of a diverse range of stakeholders Excellent service focus - you'll demonstrate a strong commitment to anticipating and meeting the needs of the people we are working with, and for, and be a superb relationship manager Proven practical background in process planning - including how to set up systems and processes to ensure efficient service delivery with a focus on quality and risk management Demonstrated ability to work in collaborative peer and other stakeholder relationships Experience in the development, preparation and monitoring of service delivery performance measures and of reporting against these. **Skills** Excellent verbal, written and interpersonal communication skills Ability to communicate complex ideas to a variety of audiences and build and maintain rapport with others

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- Understanding and appreciation of cross cultural issues and concerns, in particular, knowledge of tikanga Māori, and Pacific peoples' culture
- Tolerance, understanding and empathy for working with children and young persons
- The ability to lead and actively promote a pro-social environment
- Proven leadership and management skills, including the skills and behaviours needed to:
 - o Proactively engage and inspire staff
 - o Develop skills and build confidence levels amongst staff
 - Provide quality assurance review of the written work for staff reporting to you
 - Effectively manage performance
 - Build and reinforce a positive and professional team culture
- Ability to collaborate with others, across the spectrum of ministry functions, to achieve mutually agreed goals
- Sound understanding of the Social Services environment
- Ability to resolve conflicts or differences by finding areas of agreement that benefit the organisation and individuals
- Ability to maintain performance under stress
- Ability to build and maintain rapport with others based on their own integrity and honesty, demonstrating effective interpersonal skills
- Commitment towards positive outcomes for children, young people and their families
- Ability to anticipate and resolve problems making decisions based on risk management analysis
- Knowledge of complaints resolution theory and practice
- High level computer and keyboard skills including Word, Excel, email and data entry
- The ability to manage sensitive and confidential information in an appropriate manner.