



Functional Family Therapist - Taranaki

Youth Horizons is a not for profit organisation delivering a range of residential, foster care, education and community based services, dedicated to providing solutions for families and young people aged 0-20 with conduct or anti-social problems or those at risk of developing such problems.

We are driven to achieve the best possible life outcomes and we are guided by our core values of Manaakitanga, Wairuatanga, Aroha, and Whanaungatanga.

With our National office in Auckland, Youth Horizons has over 250 staff and specialist caregivers effectively achieving positive life outcomes in the lives of children, young people and families/ whanau across Northland, Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Lower North Island and Otago/Southland.

We are looking to appoint a fulltime ***Functional Family Therapist - Taranaki***

We are seeking a mental health professional who is enthusiastic about working as a family/whanau therapist with a small but intensive caseload of youth aged 10-17 who have serious mental health, emotional and/or behavioural problems and complex needs which warrant intervention to maintain ongoing stability in living arrangements.

Functional Family Therapy (FFT) is an evidence based approach to working with youth with significant conduct problems. The Therapist provides weekly family/whanau therapy sessions in the families own homes, using the FFT intervention model as trained by the model consultant. This role will suit a practitioner who is willing to be based from home and is able to work flexible hours in order to be accessible to referred families. The role is supported by the FFT Team and Practice Leader who meet weekly for intensive supervision. Additional support is provided by phone and video conference between sessions.

You will be a registered health professional (e.g., Psychologist, Psychotherapist, Social Worker, Mental Health Nurse, Occupational Therapist) under the Health Practitioners Competency Act or Social Work Board and hold a current registration with your governing body.

The ideal FFT Therapist is adaptable in their approach, independent, confident, has strong interpersonal skills, the ability to build strong relationships, a good feel and perception for family dynamics, possesses a strong understanding of cultural contexts, self-awareness, and is skilled at engaging and helping young people and families with cognitive-behavioural strategies.

The successful applicant will receive an attractive salary package and be provided with a vehicle for work related and commuting use. Training in the model will be offered if required.

For more information or to submit your CV and covering letter please contact Corinne True: corinne.true@youthhorizons.org.nz

Applications close 21 September 2015



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