



Personal Advisor to Mentor Young People

- ***Want to make a difference in some of our most at-risk and vulnerable young people?***
- ***Keen to be part of a professional team working together to change lives?***

Youth Horizons are looking for a Kai Atawhai/Personal Advisor to join our Ka Awatea team in Auckland, mentoring young people from care to independence. If you are looking for a challenge, have experience working with youth and want to work for an organisation that is making a difference in the lives of at-risk young people - we'd like to talk with you.

Our young people come from challenging backgrounds and their key needs include: secure accommodation, income, training or employment as well as guidance in budgeting health and wellbeing, court matters and whanau relationships.

Your role is to support them in accessing existing services, assist them in identifying their own needs, and coaching them in caring for themselves and achieving their agreed goals. Young people's participation on the programme is voluntary so developing trusting and productive relationships is critical.

Liaison with a wide range of government and community organisations is key to the

role. Your existing networks and ability to work successfully with these services will be highly valued.

The role requires a high degree of self-motivation, empathy, integrity and excellence across all forms of communication.

To be successful in this role you will have:

- Experience in using motivation strategies and strength based approaches with youth
- Experience in developing and facilitating the achievement of goals for young people with complex behavioural and support needs
- Ability to build strong relationships with peers and stakeholders
- A sound, knowledge of community resources and how to access information and resources relating to education, employment, housing and health services
- Experience working with a range of cultures
- Experience working in a computerised office environment
- An understanding of CYF processes
- Strategic focus with a 'whatever it takes attitude'

Ka Awatea is a CYF funded programme within Youth Horizons Trust that provides 1:1 support to young people (15-19yrs) who live, or have lived, in care and are transitioning to independence.

About Youth Horizons:

Youth Horizons is a specialised non-profit organisation providing therapeutic services for young people who have complex behaviour and/or mental health needs. Our innovative approach combines evidence-based models of practice along with a focus on our core values of Manaakitanga, Wairuatanga, Aroha and Whanaungatanga. Our national office is in Auckland and we have over 250 staff and caregivers supporting young people and their families and whanau across Northland, greater Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Hawkes Bay, Lower North Island and Lower South Island. To find out more about Youth Horizons, visit

www.youthorizons.org.nz

For a copy of the position description, or to apply please contact Reona, Service Leader, on: 021 763 769 or forward your CV and cover letter to: reonaj@youthorizons.org.nz

Applications close on Friday 9th October at 5pm



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