

National palliative care steering group
Calling for Expressions of Interest
Models of care – paediatric working group

The needs of tamariki (children) and rangatahi (adolescents & young adults) are unique and often quite different from those of adults receiving palliative care.

That is why Te Whatu Ora – Health NZ and co-sponsors Te Aka Whai Ora – Māori Health Authority are establishing models of care – paediatric as one of the first working groups for the national palliative care work programme.

The models of care – paediatric working group, will work in collaboration with the Paediatric Palliative Care Clinical Network to:

- review previous guidance and identify a national model for paediatric palliative care that is whānau centred and meets the needs of children, adolescents, young adults and their whānau in Aotearoa
- provide recommendations on achieving equitable access to, and outcomes from, paediatric palliative care services for children, adolescents, young adults and their whānau in Aotearoa
- recommend core paediatric palliative care services that will be publicly funded
- propose a national model of paediatric palliative care for Aotearoa, including a funding model and implementation plan.

The models of care – paediatric working group is overseen by the national palliative care steering group. See the draft models of care – paediatric working group terms of reference for further information.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

We are looking for those with experience of:

- Primary, and/or specialist paediatric palliative care services
- People with experience of receiving paediatric palliative care services and their whānau
- Maternal and neonatal services (with a focus on paediatric palliative care)
- Wellbeing for Māori and Pacific tamariki (children) and rangatahi (adolescents & young adults) and their whānau
- Child health service policy, planning and funding
- Improving access to paediatric palliative services (patients and whānau)
- Paediatric palliative care research and education
- Leadership in transition from paediatric to adult services.

Consideration will be given to ensuring diversity of cultural perspectives, experience, and geographic spread.

ROLE REQUIREMENTS

You'll be:

- passionate about ensuring palliative and end-of-life care meets the needs of tamariki (children) and rangatahi (adolescents & young adults) and their whānau
- involved in your community or professional organisations
- able to work collaboratively, promote trust, share information and be innovative
- available to attend meetings and progress work between meetings (minimum time commitment of 4 – 8 hours monthly)
- able to commit to a minimum of 6 months.

Skills/experience required:

- first-hand experience of paediatric palliative care services, or
- experience of supporting a young family member with palliative or end-of-life needs (eg, as a family carer or whānau member), or
- expertise and/or experience in paediatric palliative care services (eg, researching, planning, funding, or delivering services, and monitoring outcomes)
- proven history of working collaboratively to lead change
- a flexible and effective communicator (eg, email, videoconference, face-to-face, in groups).

Payment for meeting attendance and travel expenses is covered as per the Health Quality and Safety Commission Partners in Care consumer engagement operational policy.

KEY DATES

Expression of Interest published	14 September 2023
Closing date for applications	29 September 2023
Outcome notification	16 October 2023

HOW TO APPLY

Please complete the application form below and email it to:

palliativecare@health.govt.nz

For further information please see the draft models of care – paediatric working group terms of reference or email Stephanie Read (Programme Manager – Palliative Care, Te Whatu Ora): Stephanie.Read@health.govt.nz

To join our stakeholder list and receive updates on our palliative care work programme (including future Expressions of Interest for other working groups), email your contact details to palliativecare@health.govt.nz

Ehara tāku toa i te toa takitahi, he toa takitini
My strength is not as an individual, but as a collective

Application form for the models of care – paediatric working group

Your details:

Name			
Town/City/Place of Residence			
Work Telephone		Mobile	
Job title/Role (if applicable)		Organisation or community group	
Mobility/accessibility requirements			
Email			
Postal Address			

Brief history of your experience and/or expertise in paediatric palliative care or child health services in Aotearoa New Zealand

Brief history of your experience advocating for Māori and/or Pacific Peoples

Brief history of your involvement in community or professional groups

Anything else you would like to add to support your application

If applicable, manager approval (to endorse your application and/or support your participation)

Name:

Title and Organisation:

Signature:

Date: