



National
Hauora Coalition



Mataora: practitioners supporting mental wellbeing for whānau Māori

This is an exciting opportunity for people passionate about hauora for whānau Māori. We are establishing a kaupapa Māori primary mental health programme across Auckland, Counties Manukau and Waikato called Mahi-a-Atua.

The role

Mahi a Atua is a service that links whānau with whakapapa through pūrākau to the characteristics of their atua, their tipuna and, ultimately, their pre-colonised selves. We are seeking a number of people to work with whānau Māori as Mataora. Mataora will;

- Learn and practice Mahi a Atua principles.
- Develop their own pūkenga by embedding the Mahi a Atua principles in their lives
- Prioritise oranga whakapapa (bringing our stories to life)
- Share pūrākau to reconnect whānau to their own stories
- Assist whānau to develop their critical thinking about their situation
- Indigenise the space and support whānau in their journey for change utilising mātauranga Māori e.g., pūrākau, mahi toi, whakairo, tāniko, poetry, haka, waiata, tuia ki te taiao
- Remain active learners and develop skills in asking for feedback from whānau via valid and reliable data and feedback.
- Work in partnership with whānau

We are interested in people from across the community and previous mental health experience is not required. Full training will be provided to give successful candidates the tools and knowledge they need to work effectively with whānau.

Who are we?

Working in partnership with community providers, the National Hauora Coalition is the coordinating agency for the Mahi a Atua programme in Auckland, Counties Manukau, and Waikato. There are a number of roles available across the 7 organisations involved in this mahi.

How to apply

Please send your CV and a brief email outlining your interest in the role to PMMahiaatua@nhc.maori.nz by 5pm 7 November 2021.