

UNICEF NEW ZEALAND

Position Description

Position	Kaiwhakahau o nga Tamariki
Reports to	Director Child Rights Team
Location	Wellington
Term	Full time

About UNICEF

UNICEF is the world's leading children's agency. We work in 195 countries to help children survive and thrive, providing clean water and sanitation, education, healthcare, nutrition, and child protection. We are mandated by the United Nations to advocate for the protection of children's rights everywhere.

Our vision: For Every Child, A Childhood

About the position

The Kaiwhakahau is responsible for

- Advocating for tamariki ,rangatahi and whānau from communities most likely to miss out on their rights.
- Developing opportunities for tamariki ,rangatahi and whānau to engage with UNICEF NZ's work.
- Developing and maintaining partnerships with organisations focused on tamariki, rangatahi and whānau well being.
- Aligning the work that UNICEF NZ does with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Children (UNCROC), United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with tamariki ,rangatahi and whānau.
- Ensuring that Te Tiriti o Waitangi (TOW) is recognised in Unicef NZ advocacy work.
- Delivering the Unicef UReport social media platform to engage with youth.
- Working collaboratively across the various teams within UNICEF NZ

Key Accountabilities	Outcomes Required
<p>In collaboration with the Child Rights Team develop and deliver advocacy plans that bring voice to important issues impacting tamariki, rangatahi and whānau. Especially those from communities most likely to miss out on their rights.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnerships are developed and maintained with Iwi, key NGO and community sector organisations who focus on children and young people. • UNICEF NZs advocacy is informed by a strong and diverse range of voices. • A diverse range of youth are connected to UNICEF NZ through various initiatives including U-Report and the Youth for Change network. • The mana of our tamariki and rangatahi are raised through a targeted advocacy plan.
<p>Research and write submissions to select committees in parliament.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submissions on key policy issues impacting tamariki, rangatahi and whānau are prepared for presentation to parliament.
<p>UNICEFs work with young people in NZ is aligned to UNCROC, TOW and the SDGs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNICEFs engagement with children and young people in NZ leads to a growing awareness and understanding of UNCROC, UNDRIP, TOW & the SDGs.
<p>Manage the delivery of the UReport social media platform as an advocacy tool to raise the mana of rangatahi voice.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital content is produced promoting the voice of rangatahi via the U-Report platform. • The voice of rangatahi through U-Report helps inform UNICEFs advocacy.
<p>Work collaboratively across the various teams within UNICEF NZ</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is strong awareness across the wider UNICEF NZ team of the work plans, goals and achievements of the CRT.

Competencies, skills and experience

- A bachelor or master's degree in a social sciences field of study
- Passionate about driving positive outcomes for tamariki, rangatahi and whānau.
- Passionate about empowering youth in NZ, and proven experience in working with young people.
- Strong understanding of digital media and social media channels
- Can confidently engage with Māori and Pasifika communities, and diverse youth groups such as LGBTQI, new migrant, refugee and people with disabilities.
- Ability to manage project delivery; attention to detail, organising and scheduling a range of tasks, ensure all deadlines are met
- Excellent communication skills
- Excellent written skills
- Strong working knowledge of Microsoft Office and of project management tools
- Experience working in an advocacy environment desired
- A strong interest in human rights
- An interest in growing global citizenship for young people

Personal attributes

- Highly motivated with a 'can do' attitude
- Detailed and accurate
- Honesty and integrity
- Initiative and judgement
- Willingness to learn
- Work co-operatively within a team
- Well organised and able to prioritise workload
- Innovative and creative thinker

Working relationships

The UNICEF NZ Child Rights Team

The UNICEF NZ Communications Team

To apply contact deepika@unicef.org.nz with your CV and covering letter