

Primary Care Pharmacist

Your contribution

- The Primary Care Pharmacist provides clinical and pharmaceutical assessment, medicines education and monitoring for patients with long term conditions. You will work with patients, family/whanau and their healthcare providers to deliver a medicines management service that improves health outcomes, promotes self-management, disease prevention and progression.
- This sole charge role works within an extended care team, including a dietitian, social worker and falls prevention team. We are looking to do things differently and overtime this may involve expansion of the team to include mentoring and leading of others in the team.
- You will contribute to patient centred care planning in conjunction with patients, general practice and the wider health care team.
- Based in our New Plymouth office, the role is part of Pinnacle Midlands Health Network (PMHN) Regional Services directorate, contributing to our Physically Well strategic programme.

Your key focus

- You will provide community based clinical and pharmaceutical assessment (medicine use review, medicines therapy assessment, comprehensive medicines management assessment), medicines recommendations, adherence support and education that is effective and responsive to the needs of the patient and their family/whanau and incorporates cultural safety into practice.
- The focus of all interactions you have with patients will be evidence based and on working towards self-management. You will work with your patients on care planning that is holistic and is shared with other health professionals that are working with your patients.
- You will communicate accurately, effectively and in a timely manner with referrers including the PMHN extended care team, general practices, hospital services and community based providers.
- Records of your assessment, education and monitoring of patients under your care will be accurate, clear and concise.
- You will meet agreed PMHN Physically Well programme objectives, work plan and reporting requirements as part of the long term conditions programme.
- Your delivery of group education sessions will meet the specific clinical and medicine use needs of patients and their family/whanau and result in those you are presenting to having a good understanding of the medicines they are taking and the changes they need to make to better self-manage their conditions.
- You will provide clinical and pharmaceutical advice and education to the PMHN extended care team, general practice teams and the health provider community, enhancing their understanding of effective medicines management for patients with long term conditions.
- Continuous quality service improvement will underpin the service that you provide. You will work on projects that drive improvement in best practice pharmaceutical support

and prescribing, striving for a sustainable and effective primary care pharmacy service that is an extension of general practice and results in positive outcomes for patients.

- Developing and maintaining effective relationships with the extended care team and general practice team is a key focus area to ensure cohesion in the service and co-ordination appropriate for patients receiving your care.
- You will actively participate in maintaining your own level of education and training in relevant areas.

Your key skills & experience

Education / training

- NZ registered pharmacist with annual practising certificate with no restrictions
- Postgraduate diploma in clinical pharmacy or equivalent
- Current full driver licence

Experience

- Minimum 5 years' experience with at least two years working in a clinical environment
- Service development/process improvement/change management
- Previous work in a community setting preferred

Knowledge / skills

- Ability to develop and maintain key relationships within a team and with external agencies
- Effective time management and ability to prioritise and manage large workload
- Advanced literature searching and evaluation
- Motivational interviewing and cultural awareness
- Microsoft Office suite and experience with MedTech preferred
- Public speaking
- Business writing skills

Who we are

Pinnacle Midlands Health Network believes that great primary care changes lives for the better. We support the sustainability and further development of leading edge primary health care services. We exist to ensure that providers and clinicians have the tools they need to deliver services that create the very best health outcomes for their patients.

Pinnacle Midlands Health Network is a not-for-profit primary health care management company owned by Pinnacle Incorporated, our general practice network.

Our Mission

We exist to get the best health outcomes for people and their communities.

We do it by supporting sustainable general practice to deliver high quality care.

We are New Zealand's leading primary care network.

Our Vision

We will continue to lead the way in designing the future.

We will create technology that empowers individuals to take control of their care.

We will be the best performing network in New Zealand.

The Pinnacle Way

The Pinnacle Way is how we live our mission, vision and values every day. It's about how we work together and hold each other accountable to achieve our shared purpose – great primary care that changes lives for the better.

How we work together

We expect each one of us to do the right thing – be professional and accountable for what we do, act honourably and treat each other with respect.

We use our values to guide us on how to best work together so we can reach the best possible outcome for all.

It is important for us all to commit to bringing our best each and every day. We expect us all to help and support each other.

Health & safety

We work together to make sure we have a safe and productive environment for all staff, contractors and visitors. We all have a part to play in achieving this, so as a Pinnacle MHN employee, you are expected to:

1. Show an active interest in being informed about health and safety
2. Ensure your own safety and the safety of others
3. Follow all policies and procedures

Our shared commitment

At the time of commencing in the role, your manager will discuss this position statement with you to help you better understand your place in the organisation. As part of this process you will also be set key objectives which align to our strategic goals. By accepting this role, you commit to delivering on the key objectives and demonstrating The Pinnacle Way.

We acknowledge that due to the nature of the work here, a position may change its focus from time to time. At times we need to adapt to our changing environment. Therefore, this position statement is a living document and may be updated to reflect additional or different needs. Accordingly, you commit to undertaking any other duties you are able to do as agreed.

Position holder name: Date:

Signature:

Manager name: Date:

Signature: