



SKYLIGHT TRUST BOARD VACANCIES

Skylight seeks 2-3 new Trustees to join its board. Skylight is a not-for-profit charitable trust which enables tamariki, rangatahi, and their families, whānau, and friends to navigate through times of grief, loss and trauma, by facilitating their access to expert information, education, professional services, and support. Skylight is based in Wellington, but is national in scope, with our network of delivery partners and independent counsellors, and our online information hub. Revenue comes from government and social agency contracts, client fees, professional development fees, publication sales, and philanthropic donations and grants. We have recently agreed in principle the extension or renewal of our main government contracts. We have a well-regarded Chief Executive, an ambitious strategic plan to extend our online services and offer exciting new programmes, and a diverse board with a strong commitment to growing our reach and sustainability.

Skills and competencies

We welcome applications from experienced and aspiring board members who can bring energy, commitment, sound judgement, professionalism, and critical thinking skills, plus ideally but not necessarily, one of more of the following competencies:

- online/mobile information and services delivery
- Māori and/or Pasifika community networks and services
- the needs of tamariki and rangatahi.

We welcome applicants who bring diverse perspectives of age (especially young people), gender, ethnicity, experience, and skills.

Commitment

The board meets in Wellington and holds 6 bi-monthly formal meetings (typically 3 hours) and a planning day annually. In addition, board members may be appointed to the board's Audit & Risk or HR Committees, which meet 3-4 times a year for 1-2 hours. Board members are also expected to attend stakeholder functions (typically 1-2 a year). All Board members are appointed for a 3-year term which may be renewed by mutual consent. They perform their roles on a voluntary basis.

Further information about Skylight can be obtained on the website www.skylight.org.nz. A role description is available via info@skylight.org.nz.

Selection process

Please apply to the chair of the HR Committee, Sarah Roberts via haras.roberts@outlook.com with a CV and a short cover letter describing what you would bring to Skylight. Initial interviews will be conducted by a board panel, and final interviews with the full board. An induction programme will be arranged.

While we encourage applications by 30 July 2020, we will leave the process open for late applications until we have filled our board vacancies.