

Expression of Interest

Medical Specialist (Orthopaedic Surgeon) Clinic Services

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Peke Waihanga – Artificial Limb Service

Peke Waihanga invites expressions of interest from Orthopaedic Surgeons who may be interested in providing Medical Specialist Clinic services within our amputee rehabilitation and prosthetic service.

This opportunity arises due to the planned retirement of the current orthopaedic surgeon, who currently provides specialist support to the Wellington Centre Medical Specialist MDT Clinics. The clinics typically run 12.30 – 2pm on Thursdays but can be arranged more flexibly at our Wellington Centre, 42 Mein St, Newtown.

About Peke Waihanga

Peke Waihanga is New Zealand's specialist provider of prosthetic, orthotic, rehabilitation and peer support services. Our multidisciplinary teams support people following limb loss and throughout their rehabilitation journey.

Purpose of the Role

Medical Specialist MDT Clinics are designed to:

- Provide comprehensive multidisciplinary assessment of patients.
- Identify medical issues that may affect safe prosthetic use.
- Assist with decision-making regarding suitability for prosthetic rehabilitation.
- Support referrals to other specialist services where required.
- Contribute to coordinated rehabilitation planning and patient outcomes.

Key Responsibilities

The successful specialist would be expected to:

Clinical Assessment and Advice

- Review patients referred through the amputee rehabilitation pathway.

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- Contribute specialist orthopaedic expertise within a multidisciplinary setting.
- Assist in identifying medical factors that may influence rehabilitation outcomes or prosthetic suitability.
- Support patients and clinical teams with management planning and decision-making.

Multidisciplinary Team Participation

- Participate in Medical Specialist MDT Clinics alongside:
 - Rehabilitation clinicians
 - Prosthetist/Orthotist
 - Key workers and care coordinators.
- Work collaboratively to support patient-centred rehabilitation planning.

Clinical Communication

Following clinic appointments, the Medical Specialist is responsible for documenting clinical outcomes through clinic correspondence, which may be distributed to:

- General Practitioners
- Referrers
- External providers
- ACC Recovery Coordinators where appropriate.

Patient Cohort

Patients seen through the Medical Specialist MDT Clinic may include:

- Individuals being assessed for prosthetic rehabilitation.
- Patients whose suitability for prosthetic use requires specialist review.
- Patients presenting with medical issues that could impact rehabilitation or prosthetic safety.
- Patients requesting specialist assessment as part of their amputee rehabilitation journey.

Desired Experience

We are interested in hearing from Orthopaedic Surgeons who:

- Have experience working with people following limb loss and amputation.
- Value multidisciplinary rehabilitation approaches.
- Have an interest in improving functional outcomes and quality of life for people with limb loss.
- Are comfortable working collaboratively with rehabilitation physicians, prosthetists, therapists and community providers.

Service Model

The service operates through structured MDT clinics designed to provide coordinated assessment and rehabilitation planning. Medical specialists work alongside rehabilitation and prosthetic clinicians to ensure patients receive holistic assessment and appropriate rehabilitation pathways.

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Orthopaedic surgeons interested in learning more about this opportunity are invited to make contact for further discussion regarding:

- Clinic arrangements
- Time commitment
- Contracting arrangements
- Transition and handover planning
- Future service needs within the Wellington region

For further information, please contact:

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