

**Our vision** is to create a unique partnership with every New Zealander, improving their quality of life by minimising the incidence and impact of injury.

We know that a diverse and inclusive team helps us meet the needs of our customer, and we welcome candidates from every ethnicity, national origin, gender identity, age, and those with a disability or who have additional mental health needs. It is important to us that people are free to be themselves at work. Here are some ways we encourage that:

- Employee networks to support our colleagues from diverse backgrounds.
- The option to explore flexible working that suits your needs and ours.
- Development opportunities in te reo Māori me ngā tikanga.

## **Position purpose**

A **Recovery Partner** is responsible for partnering with clients who require a one to one relationship due to their intensive or extensive needs for as long as they need it. They will work in partnership with clients with complex physical, mental and/or individual needs, their family/whānau, providers and community to provide holistic support during the most critical parts of their recovery.

There are two positions, Level 1 and Level 2.

## Your role at ACC

This role is an individual contributor and our ACC Behaviour and Leadership framework sets out the behaviours you are expected to demonstrate to be a success in this role.

Individuals in this role family are eligible to participate in the regular progression process to recognise the advancement of individuals between Level 1 and Level 2 in line with business needs.

## ACC Behaviours

Accountable: He tangata pono I make considered decisions; I'm responsible for my actions, and I take practical steps to overcome challenges.

**Inclusive:** He tangata kotahitanga I encourage others; I respect different perspectives; I collaborate and make it easy for ideas to be shared.

**Curious:** He tangata mahira I am open to new ideas; I welcome feedback and seek opportunities to improve.

#### Customer focused: He tangata aro kiritaki

I enable my customers to achieve the right outcomes by being responsive, clear and transparent.

# **Recovery Partner - Level 1**

#### **Key Accountabilities and Outcomes**

- Initiate a comprehensive assessment with clients and relevant stakeholders to understand their immediate needs and, where required, coordinate an initial response.
- Partner with family/whānau, employers, providers, community and other relevant stakeholders to ensure the client's circumstances are fully considered and support is delivered in a holistic way.
- Identify support options and facilitate a tailored rehabilitation plan capturing all areas of their life, determining the ongoing need for support.
- Develop, and in some cases, re-build trust with clients and their family/whānau to achieve the best customer experiences and client outcomes.
- Engage with clients and/or other parties in a way that is most appropriate for their needs to effectively manage vulnerability, risk and complexity.
- Identify client's goals and milestones in relation to participating in their home, work or community and confirm support needs that focus on outcomes and maximising independence.
- Provide timely and relevant information to clients or their family/whānau or representatives, explaining their rights, responsibilities, services and supports in a clear, meaningful and transparent way.
- Assess and determine cover as required, ensuring valid and robust cover decisions are made in accordance with ACC legislation and advise outcomes appropriately.
- Identify, assess, and approve client supports and services using sound judgement to achieve the right balance between customer outcomes and ensuring overall effectiveness and sustainability of the ACC scheme.
- Partner with clients to achieve outcomes in line with social inclusion, diversity and disability principles and practice where appropriate.
- Use every client interaction to assess and re-evaluate a client's individual situation to ensure they are getting the right level of support, at the right time, in the right way to maximise independence in a timely manner.
- Seek guidance from experts when more specialised information is required to determine the best actions to effectively progress a rehabilitation plan that will support the best recovery outcome for the client.
- Focus on delivering quality customer service and be responsive to customer feedback.
- Work in a collaborative and cooperative way with colleagues so that there is seamless, integrated support for clients.
- Understand the approach for preventing injuries and working with the tools we need to deliver and monitor injury prevention outcomes.
- Respect and protect the privacy of customer information to maintain trust and confidence in ACC.
- Record concise, relevant and accurate client information, including indicator flags, so that you and your colleagues are well prepared to enable seamless support.
- Champion opportunities to embed Whāia te Tika and to promote diversity and inclusion.

#### **Skills, Experience and Qualifications**

- Previous experience in a customer focused role, including an understanding of complex customer needs in a multifaceted environment.
- Ability to take a multi-disciplinary approach, and work as part of a team to rehabilitate clients with complex needs.
- Experience working in partnership with internal and external stakeholders.

- Proven ability to pro-actively identify support options and make effective decisions around key interventions.
- Ability to build rapport and trust and successfully motivate, negotiate, and influence outcomes.
- Ability to liaise with a range of external stakeholders to ensure a solution focussed and coordinated approach and consistency in service.
- Ability to take a holistic view of a range of complex information and make considered and timely decisions.
- Ability to take personal responsibility for delivering timely client outcomes.
- Ability to display cultural awareness, empathy and understanding when interacting with customers.
- Ability to operate effectively in a digital environment with a wide range of technology systems and tools. Skills continued
- Comfortable with, and interest in, rehabilitation and clinical and health related information.
- Personal resilience and ability to deal with challenging information and situations.
- Sensitivity to issues related to equity, people with disabilities and social and cultural needs
- A tertiary qualification in rehabilitation, health or related discipline would be desirable

## **Recovery Partner - Level 2**

All of the accountabilities and outcomes, and skills, experience and qualifications for the Recovery Partner Level 1 applies plus:

### **Key Accountabilities and Outcomes**

- Partner with clients with the most complex needs, vulnerability and/or risk factors.
- Pro-actively engage and coordinate multiple stakeholders to ensure clients with the most complex needs are getting the range of support they require.
- Identify, develop and implement opportunities for service improvement and better outcomes for clients with complex needs.
- Engage in cross agency and community activities as required supporting service outcomes and enhancing best practice understanding.
- Provide peer support during and after induction training, including a time when assisted by the mentor.

### Skills, Experience and Qualifications

- Previous experience working in the disability sector, social services, or relevant health environment.
- Knowledge and understanding of community services and programs of community integration.
- Demonstrated ability to provide peer support to colleagues learning.
- An in-depth and broad awareness of health sector interventions and recovery strategies for clients with complex needs and diverse backgrounds.
- Ability to build rapport and trust with highly complex clients, including those in highly vulnerable situations.
- Demonstrated ability to identify and implement continuous improvement ideas that deliver a better experience for customers.
- Effective relationship management skills with the ability to work effectively in a multi-disciplinary team environment and lead cross sector engagement activity.