## **Position Description**Board of Trustee Legal



The Road Traffic Accident Trauma Charitable Trust trading as the National Road Trauma Centre is a dedicated charitable organisation committed and to enhancing the lives of others.

Due to a significant expansion, the National Road Trauma Centre is now seeking additional Board of Trustees who have an active interest in the Trust's lead role in roading, healthcare, emergency services and post trauma care sectors that will allow us to continue to meet our objectives when we were founded in 2010.

Our strategic objectives are organised around a structure designed to ensure it provides meaningful impact to reduce the socio and economic cost of road trauma in our community. Currently in New Zealand Motor vehicle crash injuries have the highest rate of major trauma. Our five strategic objectives will look at a transformed approach to address the wider socio-economic consequences of motor vehicle crashes by providing integrated services that would be commercially viable and sustainable for those impacted directly and indirectly impacted.

Our newly proposed structure is to provide the best outcome to optimise support centric to the needs of patients, industry professionals and road trauma prevention (road safety, physical and psychological injury prevention) in a structure and set at a standard not seen in New Zealand. It is our vision, this newly defined structure will enhance collaboration and connectiveness to benefit and best serve the needs of those in our community, particularly those most vulnerable.

We believe our people are our strongest asset and are fundamental to our continued success. We are looking for a qualified candidate who shares our values to join our Board of Trustees in the role of Legal. The position requires someone who has current legal experience at a Senior Governance Board level. This role with require a person who is committed to positive long-term working relationships with government entities, stakeholders and industry professionals. Has a high level of initiative with the ability to adopt strong business acumen to advance the Trust strategic goals and objectives.

We see this role as a wonderful opportunity to join the Trust, shape our future and build our legacy. The role of our Legal Trustee has an important role to play to support the rapid growth of the Trust. We are seeking a Trustee who will:

- Develop strong relationships with other key stakeholders, government and non-government organisations to ensure cohesion and alignment of purpose and vision.
- Take an active interest in ethical issues associated with the Trust's activities.
- Monitor for any potential or contingent liability for the Trust. Provide opinion on matters of compliance and develop strategies to effectively mitigate any perceived risks.
- Support the Trust in its growth and development phase to ensure we expand and diversify our Board.
- Support the Trust to enhance our capital raising and allocation to enhance the Trust's five year strategy, including the appointment of full time employed staff.
- Demonstrate professionalism to support a culture of integrity by setting an example for others to follow.

## **Previous Experience:**

- Experience in commercial law would be advantageous.
- Provide specialist legal advise in negotiating, drafting, interpreting and administrating reviewing funding agreements and contracts. Provide professional opinion as to whether contractual and funding proposals are compliant.
- Providing legal advice that identifies and provides options for managing legal risk.
- Previous board experience would be beneficial however, not necessary.

## Qualifications:

• Law degree (LLB) and a current New Zealand Practicing Certificate are required.

## Why you will enjoy working with us.

You will be joining a highly skilled, highly productive team who are passionate about what we do. We are looking forward to you bringing your expertise.

You will have the ability to work amongst a diverse range of stakeholders including those in healthcare, emergency services, psychology, road safety and engineering.

This position is non-remunerated, however, reimbursement of expenses are available. As we expand our capital growth, it is anticipated there will be remuneration opportunities in the future.

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