**Job title – Doctor or Nurse On-Call Forensic Examiner**

**Location – Tauranga and Whakatāne**

**Job Type – Contract**

Tautoko Mai Sexual Harm Support (previously BOPSASS) is seeking doctors or nurse practitioners to join our amazing forensic teams based in Tauranga and Whakatāne.

These teams provide afterhours forensic examinations/acute consultations to adolescents and adults who have experienced sexual harm in the previous seven days.  The teams comprise specially trained examiners, nurses, and crisis workers.

Here is your chance to practice at the top of your scope – being able to be completely patient-centred and having all the time you need to do the best consultation for someone who has sought help at a difficult time in their life.  You will also join the MEDSAC national community of like-minded clinicians and be supported by experts to enhance your knowledge and skills in the areas of sexual assault and intimate partner violence.

Full training is provided.  This includes MEDSAC membership and training to be a forensic examiner, observing and being observed doing cases, mentoring through your first few cases, case review of all work, regular peer review meetings and collegial support from our amazing team.

Calls are triaged by one of our trained nurses who contacts the examiner if a forensic examination or urgent consultation is indicated.  We do not provide emergency care.  Examinations are done in our dedicated forensic rooms in Tauranga and Whakatāne.  As an examiner, you will be responsible for assessing the patient, providing medical care as needed (such as STI/pregnancy prophylaxis), and usually completing medicolegal pro forma and taking appropriate forensic samples (e.g. for alleged offender DNA) which, with patient consent, go to the Police either at the time or when the patient is ready.  Occasionally you will be required to write a Formal Statement for Police, and very occasionally required to attend court as an Expert Witness.  Full training and mentoring for statement writing and court attendance is provided by MEDSAC.

Patient follow up is provided by the daytime clinic team at Tautoko Mai, which can include medical care, counselling and social work support.

The on-call roster is flexible, with shifts occurring as needed rather than following a strict rotation. While we aim to maintain an approximate schedule of 1:6 in Tauranga and 1:4 in Whakatāne, the timing of on-call duties may vary to accommodate operational needs. We average approximately 60 call outs a year altogether across both sites, so most often you will not be called.  It is expected that you will be able to attend within an hour or so of being contacted, outside normal working hours (i.e. you are not expected to leave your day job in order to attend).  Overnight call outs are rare, averaging about 4 per year across both sites.  Rostering is done on an availability basis, to work around clinicians’ pre-existing commitments.  We have a wonderfully collegial team who support each other including swapping on calls when needed.

To be suited to the role you must meet the following requirements:

* Be a current NZ registered Doctor or Nurse Practitioner
* Live near enough to our forensic rooms (in Tauranga city or Whakatāne) to be able to attend after hours
* Be experienced and confident with genital examinations of females and males
* Be comfortable dealing with patients who have been through trauma
* Have a good understanding of sexual health medicine
* Be available to complete 12 hours of on-line learning and attend MEDSAC training in Auckland on May 2025
* Be available from June 2025 to be on the afterhours roster as an observer
* Expect to be on the after-hours roster as an examiner by the end of 2025

If you would like to have a chat and find out more, please contact our Lead Clinician, Dr Melanie Johns: melanie.johns@tautokomai.co.nz.

To apply for this role please send an expression of interest and your CV to Ben Simpson at hr@tautokomai.co.nz