

# HEALTHY ACTIVE LEARNING COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

## Purpose of The Role

The Healthy Active Learning Community Connector plays a critical role supporting schools, kura and communities to identify, plan and implement opportunities for quality play, sport and physical activity experiences for tamariki.

Developing and maintaining meaningful relationships with schools, kura and community is an important component of this role. This will enable strong connections with the wider community such as whānau, local health and physical activity providers and other organisations to ensure a connected and coordinated approach to health and wellbeing outcomes for our tamariki.

The key focus of this role is to advocate for quality school and community play, sport and physical activity experiences through sustainable opportunities and interventions.

## Healthy Active Learning Team Purpose

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Healthy Active Learning is a collaborative joint agency wellbeing initiative between Sport New Zealand and the Ministries of Health and Education. Healthy Active Learning supports schools and kura across Aotearoa to improve the wellbeing of tamariki and rangatahi through healthy eating and drinking, and quality physical activity.

## Role Accountabilities

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### Project Support

- Provide advice and/or support to key individuals such as principals, senior leadership teams and lead teachers to achieve the goals and vision they have for their tamariki to enable an active and healthy school culture
- Use best practice evidence and insights to challenge traditional behaviours and delivery models to meet the needs of tamariki through relevant and improved play, sport and physical activity opportunities
- Support schools and kura to create sustainable environments that promote inclusive and quality play, sport and physical activity including the development of plans and systems
- Support schools and kura to scope, identify and access community resources, assets and providers to add value to quality play, sport and physical activity opportunities
- Support schools and kura to be valuable members of a community play system including awareness, knowledge and understanding of time, place and permission to enable quality play opportunities
- Support and elevate knowledge around kai and approaches to eating with those who can instil better practices around food and drink in their kura and schools
- Assist and empower schools and kura to make well informed decisions when using external providers within their education setting and work to resolve issues of barriers to access
- Support the planning and implementation of a wide range of opportunities and experiences such as co-curricular and extra-curricular sport and physical activity events or competitions
- Advocate and support schools and kura to adopt best practice health, safety and risk management protocols

### Relationship Management

- Enable meaningful relationships with schools, kura and community providers to ensure a connected and coordinated approach to health and wellbeing for tamariki
- Support schools and kura to strengthen their connections with their wider community, including whānau and local health and physical activity providers
- Support and advocate for communities to engage and connect with school and kura to provide quality play, sport and physical activity opportunities
- Support engagement with whānau and the wider school community regarding school and kura related activities
- Develop, maintain, and extend effective networks to support Nuku Ora outcomes.

### **Information Sharing**

- Work with schools, kura and the Healthy Active Learning workforce to ensure Healthy Active Learning remains aligned and connected to schools' culture, values and priorities
- Provide relevant information and resources using up-to-date technology and appropriate communication channels
- Actively identify, recognise, and promote best practise programmes and initiatives
- Ensure internal and external reporting requirements are completed in line with organisational expectations.

### **Teamwork**

- Positively contribute to, and support the implementation of, Nuku Ora's locally-led approaches in selected communities that involve Healthy Active Learning schools and stakeholders
- Work closely with Healthy Active Learning Advisors to influence and develop an active and healthy school culture including supporting school leadership, Communities of Practice and delivering PLD sessions
- Work positively and constructively across the Nuku Ora team with a focus on developing strong relationships and opportunities to leverage resources and initiatives to efficiently achieve outcomes
- Work collaboratively with the Healthy Active Learning regional workforce such as the Ministries of Education and Health

## **Key Relationships in Role**

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### **Internal**

- Healthy Active Learning Manager (reporting line)
- Healthy Active Learning Advisors
- General Manager Delivery
- Community Development Manager and Leads
- Partnership Managers
- Insights & Evaluation Manager and Advisor

### **External**

- Sport NZ
- Primary and intermediate schools and kura
- Te Whatu Ora
- Physical Education New Zealand
- Ministry of Education (regional office)
- Regional sport and active recreation bodies
- Local Iwi and Hapu
- Territorial Local Authorities
- Other Regional Sport Trusts

## Key Things We Are Looking For

### Qualifications, Skills and Experience

- Demonstrated experience in a role with similar drivers and expected outcomes
- Efficient communication skills, listening, written and oral
- Effective planning and reporting skills
- Competent IT skills in Office365 including Outlook, Teams, SharePoint, and Dynamics
- Excellent presentation skills
- Time management skills
- Self-motivated, resilience and drive

### Technical Skills and Knowledge

- An understanding of the sectors supporting physical activity, community development, or play, active recreation, and active transport
- Knowledge and understanding of the operating models in primary and intermediate schools and/or kura
- Knowledge and understanding of the New Zealand Curriculum and/or Te Mātauranga o Aotearoa
- Experience in planning, coordinating and implementing quality play, sport and physical activity opportunities and experiences for tamaraki
- Be able to develop a strategic approach to problems
- Ability to be innovative and anticipate areas of focus
- At least a restricted licence

## What Being Part of the Nuku Ora Team Means

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- Support and demonstrate the Nuku Ora Way, a values-based approach that identifies our desired behaviours or operating principles for how we want to operate as an organisation.
- Actively and positively participate as a member of the team, supporting the philosophy and culture of Nuku Ora, and committing to continued personal and professional development.
- Proactively looking for opportunities to improve the operations and performance of Nuku Ora and collaborating with others.
- Complying with and supporting all health and safety policies, guidelines, and initiatives. Ensuring all incidents, injuries and near misses are reported.
- Adhering to all Nuku Ora procedures, policies, and guidelines.
- Demonstrating a commitment to and respect for the Te Tiriti O Waitangi and incorporating this into our work.
- Supporting Nuku Ora's insights approach to deliver higher quality initiatives and interventions based on innovation and informed decision making enabling the organisation to better manage change and the ability to anticipate and influence the physical activity sector.
- Providing outstanding stakeholder engagement and management services, utilising Nuku Ora's relationship management approach, the CRM system and relevant business rules.
- Ensuring diversity and inclusion is central to our work.
- Performing any other duties as needed and support other Nuku Ora initiatives such as events e.g. Round the Bays.

## Dimensions of the Role

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**Reports to:** Healthy Active Learning Manager  
**Location:** Wellington  
**People Responsibilities:** None  
**Grade:** 15

**Department:** Delivery  
**Date:** December 2022  
**Authorities:** None  
**Fixed Remuneration Range:** \$63,957 - \$67,510