





Lakes

# **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Position: Anaesthetic Technician

**Responsible To:** Clinical Nurse Manager Operating Theatre & Perioperative

**Direct Reports:** 

Location: Rotorua & Taupō

**Functional Relationships:** Internal: Anaesthetics Technician staff

Anaesthetists Nursing staff Biomedical staff **Facilities** SSU

Theatre Attendants Medical staff Clerical Staff Other Departments

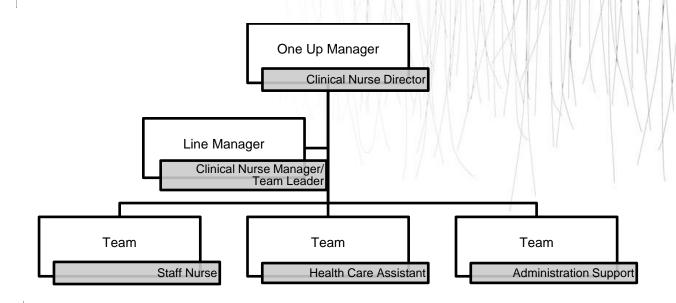
**Financial Delegations:** Nill

November 2022 Date:

External:

**Patients** 

Trade Company Reps



# Primary purpose(s) of the position

To provide direct clinical and technical assistance to the Anaesthetists and to provide a holistic care approach in the management of the patient

Key Objectives	Description	Expected Outcomes
Technical medical, n staff to en for the pat accountable delivery of managem Observing	(Working in partnership with medical, nursing and allied staff to ensure best outcomes for the patient. Being	Providing direct clinical and technical assistance to the Anaesthetist during the induction of Anaesthesia, and at the emergence and xtubation of anaesthesia.
	for the patient Being accountable for the day to day delivery of care and management of own workload. Observing ANZCA Standards in particular P58 (2003))	<ul> <li>Providing direct clinical and technical assistance to the Aneasthetist during the maintenance of Anaesthesia of Anaesthetic guidelines</li> </ul>
		Identifying anaesthetic requirements for each procedure in accordance with Department of Anaesthesia guidelines and ensuring that all equipment and consumables are available to ward.
		<ul> <li>Ensuring that all daily duty requirements as outlined in the Department of Anaesthesia duty descriptions are completed to the acceptable level and standard.</li> </ul>
		Providing assistance to other members of the theatre team where appropriate, recognising that effective management of theatres depends on effective communication and participation of all members of the multidisciplinary team
Supplies and Stock Management	Ensuring the availability of functioning equipment as when and where required.  Maintaining infection control standards	<ul> <li>Ensuring that all Anaesthetic and Auxillary equipment is checked, disinfected, sterilised or discarded after each use in accordance with Lakes District Health Board Infection Control policy and procedure.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Ensuring all Anaesthetic and Auxillary equipment and areas are restocked and cleaned a per Operating Theatre cleaning doc.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Participating in stock management and ordering of supplies.</li> </ul>
		Ensuring that all Anaesthetic equipment is full operational and organising repair / replacement as appropriate
Education	Promoting and participating in performance development. Participating in house Anaesthetic Technicians training program as required.	<ul> <li>Participating in teaching sessions / tutorial for trainee and qualified technicians with the aim of maintaining and enhancing technical skills, in line with own special areas of interest / expertise.</li> </ul>
Professional Standards	Maintain a strong evidence / research base to practice. Maintain own professional development standards.	Attending educational opportunities and conferences relevant to the role and scope of practice.
		<ul> <li>Learning new skills that will benefit you, the work of the department, and patients.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Is able to back up changes or initiatives with sound rationale.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Participates and contributes to relevant professional groups / networks.</li> </ul>
Utilisation of Telehealth	Health care is delivered using digital technology where participants may be separated by time and/or distance	Service provision is in line with the New Zealand     Health Strategy and the New Zealand Allied Health     Best Practice Guide for Telehealth to provide care     "closer to home".
		<ul> <li>Patient centric care which will give patients the option of telephone or video appointments where there is no need for an in-person appointment.</li> </ul>

Capabilities	Capability Definition	Achievement Indicators
Communication and Personal Interaction  Te Ringa Hora  the open hand (denoting someone who is sociable)	Communicates relevant information in a timely manner to those who need to know at a level that is understood.	<ul> <li>Transfers information effectively verbally and writes clearly, coherently and succinctly.</li> <li>Shares well thought out, concise and timely information with others using appropriate mediums.</li> <li>Organisational updates are provided to staff by way of relaying in general terms but more importantly what affect it has on the unit and how staff can help where necessary to achieve any requirements.</li> <li>Builds team spirit, facilitates resolution of conflict within the team, promotes/protects team reputation, shows commitment to contributing to the teams' success.</li> <li>Maintains and promotes high standards of social, ethical and organisational norms.</li> </ul>
	Fosters a team environment and encourages collaboration between team and departments within Lakes.	<ul> <li>Articulates differing perspectives on an issue and can see the merit of alternative points of view.</li> <li>Works with other managers and teams to streamline processes for the best efficiency for both teams.</li> <li>Provides staff who have concerns about another team process, a different point of view to consider.</li> </ul>
	Connects with people to build trust and confidence.	<ul> <li>Connects with others, listens, reads people and situations and communicates tactfully.</li> <li>Gets to know their team members and treats them with respect, valuing their individuality and contributions.</li> </ul>
Strategy & Performance Te Ringa Raupā	Delegates appropriately within team utilising individual skills to achieve results.	<ul> <li>Understands individuals' strengths and weaknesses to utilise or increase skills for those individuals.</li> <li>Assigns and sub-delegates staff to teams to allow for development and succession planning.</li> </ul>
the roughened hand (symbolising a hard worker)	Understands the unit requirements and the implications of the units achievements on the overall service delivery.	<ul> <li>Ensures decision making complies with organisational strategies.</li> <li>Recognises decisions made within the unit affect overall results of the service and Lakes.</li> <li>Works with Service Manager to maximise unit efficiency.</li> </ul>
Development and Change  Te Ringa Ahuahu  the hand that shapes or fashions something (refers to someone who	Works to include staff in change minimising barriers to implementation.	<ul> <li>Questions traditional ways of doing things when choosing a course of action or finds new combinations of old elements to form an innovative solution.</li> <li>Continually strives for new and improved work processes that will result in greater effectiveness and efficiencies.</li> <li>Openly broaches concern with staff from the outset asking for their ideas and input.</li> <li>Gives examples of what might help to resolve the issue/concern.</li> <li>Seeks opportunities to improve performance and seeks feedback to measure and improve.</li> </ul>

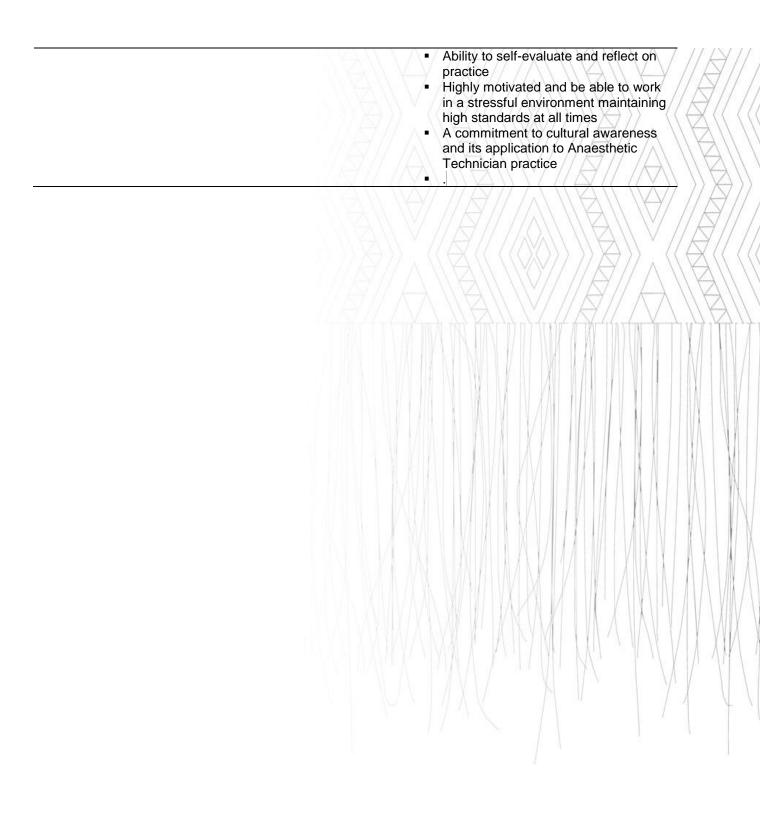
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is innovative)		<ul> <li>Encourages staff participation in possible solution process.</li> <li>Allows staff input to possible solutions to concern.</li> <li>Gives careful consideration to staff ideas and offers alterations to suggestions where necessary.</li> </ul>
	Articulates decisions and reasoning behind change enable buy-in to results.	<ul> <li>Develops an informative response to the team including trends, data, process and benefits of the decided process/change.</li> <li>Allows feedback to decision to enable 'tinkering' to be made where appropriate.</li> </ul>
Personal Accountability Te Ringa Tōmau	Manages own and encourages others to foster work/life balance.	<ul> <li>Ensures regular breaks are taken and own annual leave accruals are used within the 12 months following accrual.</li> <li>Ensures employees within their service are taking regular annual leave breaks for the purpose of rest/recreation throughout the year.</li> </ul>
the hand that is trustworthy	Actively manages own career aspirations and development.	<ul> <li>Is constantly striving to acquire and maintain knowledge, skills and/or experience.</li> <li>Has own career development plan and succession planning.</li> <li>Seeks out development opportunities to expand knowledge and capability.</li> <li>Engages in projects and activities readily which are above and beyond scope of current role.</li> </ul>
Culture and Values  Te Ringa Taurima  the hand that	Makes decisions based on facts and without personal bias.	<ul> <li>Is proactive and effective when problem solving is required.</li> <li>Engages with staff member/managers/multidisciplinary team when concerns are raised to best understand their point of view.</li> <li>Appropriately investigates the concern looking at trends, situation and practices.</li> <li>Critically examines repeatable risk factors.</li> </ul>
nurtures, encourages, supports	Engages with mentors and supervisors for personal skill development.	<ul> <li>Is constantly striving to acquire and maintain knowledge, skills and/or experience.</li> <li>Demonstrates a commitment to and takes responsibility for going professional development.</li> </ul>
	Plans, prioritises and organises work to deliver on short and long term goals.	<ul> <li>Purposeful about where time is invested.</li> <li>Delivers relevant results within expected timeframes.</li> </ul>
	Encourages and promotes Lakes values and expectations.	<ul> <li>Role models expected behaviours and practices.</li> <li>Treats staff, patients and visitors with dignity and respect.</li> <li>Uses appropriate empathy to gain organisational objectives.</li> <li>Is solution focused.</li> </ul>

Compulsory Requirements	Description	Expected Outcomes
Māori Health	Māori philosophies and values of health are demonstrated in work practice.	<ul> <li>Meaningful relationships are established with Te Aka Matua (Rotorua and Taupo Hospitals) and Te Whatu Ora Lakes Maori Health division in the planning and delivery of services.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Practices are consistent with Te Tiriti o Waitangi</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>/The Treaty of Waitangi when working with Māori.</li> <li>Delivery of safe services for Māori are facilitated by ensuring they can access treatment options and are involved in the planning and delivery of their care.</li> </ul>
		Māori are enabled to access and participate in cultural activities provided by the Te Whatu Ora Lakes.
		<ul> <li>A commitment to improving the wellbeing of Māori by increasing cultural knowledge in the Te Whatu Ora Lakes is shown.</li> </ul>
Te Iti Kahurangi	The Lakes Way, Our Place Our Culture	Works within the Te Iti Kahurangi framework and supporting guide document.
Record Keeping		<ul> <li>Complies with the Te Whatu Ora Lakes Corporate Records Management policy to create and maintain full and accurate records.</li> </ul>
Quality & Risk	Patient safety is paramount to the service we deliver at Te Whatu Ora Lakes. This is to be achieved in a clinical governance framework that is culturally responsive and identifies and manages risk and opportunities to improve.	Employees are supported to lead by example and implement a culture of continuous quality improvement.
		<ul> <li>Risks that may prevent Te Whatu Ora Lakes from achieving their goals are identified, reported, and managed.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Māori patients are provided patient-centred care to achieve positive Māori health outcomes.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Needs of Māori are reviewed and reported in the further development of practice, process and or policy.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Evidence-based methodologies are used to support improvements, e.g. kaupapa Māori methodology.</li> </ul>
		Quality care is provided to certification standards.
Health & Safety	Each individual is responsible for ensuring the safety of themselves, their colleagues, patients and their visitors and to comply with all organisational health and safety policies, procedures and guidelines.	<ul> <li>Implementation and reinforcement of a proactive healthy work place culture which reflects relevant Te Whatu Ora Lakes policy and legislative requirements.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Healthy lifestyles are actively promoted and participated in, within the work area.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Employees participate in Health and Safety within areas of work.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Health and Safety activities are appropriately documented within specified timeframes.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Health and Safety policies have been read and understood and are applied in the workplace.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Health and Safety policies are appropriately documented within specified timeframes and incidents are reported immediately.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Any opportunities for improving Health and Safety are reported and acted upon in a timely manner.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>All near misses/incident/accidents are reported to the appropriate line manager within 24 hours.</li> </ul>

Signatures:		
Line Manager: (position description a	approved):	
Employee: (acceptance of position	on description):	
(Please also initial all	other pages to show acceptance of positi	ion description.)
Person Specification	Essential:	Desirable:
Education and Qualifications:	<ul> <li>NZC of Proficiency Anaesthetic Technicians or equivalent as established by the NZSA.</li> <li>Current practicing certificate.</li> </ul>	
Experience:	<ul> <li>Registered Anaesthetic Technician.</li> </ul>	• [.]
Knowledge:	<ul> <li>Expert specialist knowledge base which is applied in situations of complexity</li> <li>Ability to work independently as well as being a fully integrated member of the theatre team</li> <li>Ability ti anticipate the clinical needs of other members of the theatre team</li> <li>Ability to self-evaluate and reflect on practice</li> <li>Highly motivated and be able to work in a stressful environment maintaining high standards at all times</li> <li>A commitment to cultural awareness and its application to Anaesthetic Technician practice</li> <li>Te Tiriti O Waitangi in the provision of health care services and support to Māori.</li> <li>Te Tiriti O Waitangi in practice, process, policy development and decision making.</li> <li>Te Whatu Ora Lakes is a Reorua organisation knowledge and understanding of Te Reo/ Correct pronunciation.</li> </ul>	

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Skills:	<ul> <li>Pronunciation of Te Reo Māori words and names</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Te Reo Māori</li><li>Computer Literacy.</li></ul>
Personal Attributes:	• [.]	<ul> <li>Non-smoker preferred.</li> <li>Expert specialist knowledge base which is applied in situations of complexity</li> <li>Ability to work independently as well as being a fully integrated member of the theatre team</li> <li>Ability ti anticipate the clinical needs of other members of the theatre team</li> </ul>



# **ABOUT TE WHATU ORA LAKES**

At Te Whatu Ora Lakes we place the highest value on the health and wellbeing of everyone in our community. As such all healthcare workers are expected to play a part in the creation and promotion of an environment which lives the following vision, mission and values:

### **VISION**

Healthy Communities – Mauriora! In this vision Mauriora refers to the Mauri - being the life essence and the source of well-being, and ora - describing the state of wellness.

### STRATEGIC MISSION

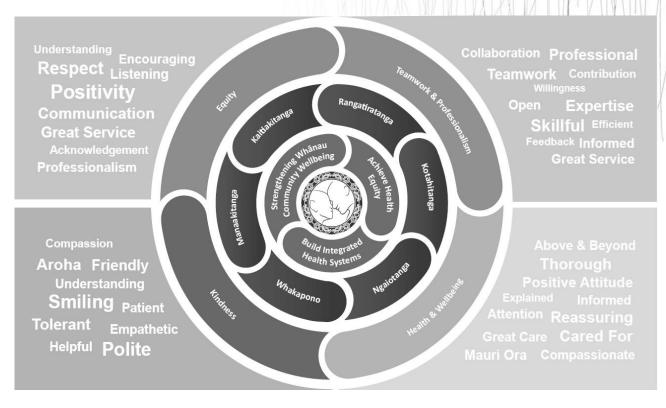


- Achieve equity in Māori health
- Build an Integrated health system
- Strengthen people, whanau & community wellbeing

## **THREE CORE VALUES**

Manaakitanga	respect and acknowledgment of each other's intrinsic value and contribution
Integrity	truthfully and consistently acting collectively for the common good
Accountability	collective and individual ownership for clinical and financial outcomes and sustainability

## TE ITI KAHURANGI - THE LAKES WAY, OUR PLACE, OUR CULTURE - WE WILL



#### TE TIRITI O WAITANGI

## Our expression of Te Tiriti o Waitangi

The text of Te Tiriti, including the preamble and the three articles, along with the Ritenga Māori declaration, are the enduring foundation of our approach to achieving health and independence. Based on these foundations, we will strive to achieve the following four goals, each expressed in terms of mana.

#### Mana whakahaere

Effective and appropriate kaitiakitanga and stewardship over the health and disability system. Mana whakahaere is the exercise of control in accordance with tikanga, kaupapa and kawa Māori. This goes beyond the management of assets and resources and towards enabling Māori aspirations for health and independence.

## Mana motuhake

Enabling the right for Māori to be Māori (Māori self-determination); to exercise their authority over their lives and to live on Māori terms and according to Māori philosophies, values and practices, including tikanga Māori.

#### Mana tangata

Achieving equity in health and disability outcomes for Māori, enhancing the mana of people across their life course and contributing to the overall health and wellbeing of Māori.

#### Mana Māori

Enabling Ritenga Māori (Māori customary rituals), which are framed by te ao Māori (the Māori world), enacted through tikanga Māori (Māori philosophy and customary practices) and encapsulated within mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge).

Te Whatu Ora Lakes is committed within the framework of the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act (2000) to supporting the Crown's commitment to upholding its Tiriti promises.

#### ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

# Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand Lakes

