

Neurological Foundation of New Zealand – Council Member Vacancy

Applicant Location	National
Role	Council Member
Closes	26th October 2023
Remuneration	Volunteer role, travel expenses reimbursed
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Organisation description

The Neurological Foundation is a New Zealand charity that raises funds to support vital research and education into neurological conditions. For 52 years the Foundation has funded research into conditions such as Parkinson’s, Alzheimer’s, dementia, Huntington’s, motor neurone disease, stroke, multiple sclerosis, migraine, epilepsy, traumatic brain injury and many more debilitating conditions.

The organisation is national, with Council members from around the motu appointed for a four year term, with renewal for another 4 years as appropriate. The Council is a very engaged group that includes people with direct lived experience of neurological conditions.

Particular skills / competencies sought

The Foundation’s Council are looking to recruit a new appointee. We are looking for a candidate with experience as a scientist and/or clinician with a focus on neurological diseases and disorders. The candidate will need to have a good understanding of the research funding environment and preferably experience in leadership or governance. They will provide a key role in advising our Council, helping the members understand the needs of the neuroscience community in Aotearoa, and the recommendations from our grant review Committees

Membership of the Foundation’s Council is a voluntary role. The Council has four full day meetings a year, usually the last Friday of the calendar quarter. Plus an Annual General Meeting with members usually in Q3 of the calendar year.

The candidate would be expected to also become a member of either the Finance Audit Investment & Risk Committee or the People & Performance Committee, as appropriate. These have between 2 and 4 meetings a year for two hours.

Beyond formal meetings the expectation of Councillors is to support other Council members and the Foundation’s Leadership Team as required.

Applications

A role description for the Foundation's Council Members is available on request, providing more information.

If you are interested in applying for the Council member role, please submit a copy of your CV and a cover letter to Rich.Easton@neurological.org.nz by 26th October 2023.

Applications will be shortlisted by the People & Performance Committee, and appropriate Council members will interview shortlisted candidates.

Please provide at least 2 referees who have experience working with you in a governance capacity.