## SKYLIGHT TRUST BOARD VACANCIES

E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e rau rangatira mā. Nau mai, piki mai, kake mai, rarau mai ki te Rōpū Whakarae o Skylight. Koinei te mihi manahau o Skylight e rere atu nei ki a koutou katoa e pīkoko ana ki tēnei tūmomo mahi. Haere mai, rarau mai!

Skylight is seeking two new board trustees. It is an exciting time to join Skylight, with a new chief executive who is making substantial progress in growing Skylight’s impact. We have a diverse board with a strong commitment to growing Skylight’s reach, sustainability, and cultural competence to meet the needs of tamariki, young people, their families and whānau in times of trauma, loss, grief and tough times.

Skylight is a not-for-profit charitable trust which enables young New Zealanders to navigate challenging times by facilitating their access to evidence-based information, professional services and support. Skylight also offers education, training and support for professionals, agencies and others who assist those dealing with trauma, loss, grief and change. While Skylight’s operations are based in Wellington, the organisation is national in scope, with a network of delivery partners, contract counsellors, and an online information and resilience hub.  Revenue comes from government and social agency contracts, client fees, professional development fees, publication sales, and philanthropic donations and grants.

#### Skills and competencies we are seeking

We welcome applications from experienced and aspiring board members all over Aotearoa who can bring energy, commitment, sound judgement, professionalism, critical thinking skills and diversity, plus ideally one or more of the following competencies:

* Clinical knowledge, experience and skills working with tamariki
* Commercial acumen with experience growing revenue in a not-for-profit setting.
* Legal expertise particularly in areas relevant to the not-for-profit sector

#### Commitment as a Board member

The board meets in Wellington or teleconference and holds 6 formal meetings (typically of up to 3 hours) and an in-person planning day annually. In addition, the successful appointee will sit on the one of the board’s committees, which meets 2-4 times a year for 1-2 hours, Finance, Audit & Risk, HR or the Cultural Committee. Board members are also encouraged to attend stakeholder functions (typically 1-2 a year). Further information about Skylight can be obtained on the Skylight website, and a role description is available via [info@skylight.org.nz](mailto:info@skylight.org.nz) or ring Nikki Franklin on 027 287 9390.

Board members are appointed for a 3-year term, which may be renewed by mutual consent. All Board members perform their roles on a voluntary basis.

#### Selection process

We encourage applications by 17th April 2025; however, the application process will be left open for late applications until we have filled our board vacancies. Please apply to Nikki Franklin via [Nikki.franklin6@gmail.com](mailto:Nikki.franklin6@gmail.com) with a CV and a short cover letter describing what you would bring to Skylight. Initial interviews will be conducted by a board sub-panel over teleconference and final interviews with the full board. An induction programme will be provided to successful candidates.