



At PHARMAC, we make the most of our opportunity to make a difference for New Zealand, including through developing ourselves and our organisational capability. It's our people that make the difference, so we value them and the commitment and professionalism they bring. We also value our diversity, combining science, medicine, commerce, analysis, marketing and more to facilitate good decision making.

PHARMAC is the government agency responsible for ensuring New Zealanders have access to a wide range of affordable medicines. As an international leader in pharmaceutical management, PHARMAC makes a vital contribution to New Zealand's health outcomes. This is done by:

- Managing the Pharmaceutical Schedule (the list of subsidised medicines)
- Promoting the responsible use of medicines
- Assisting DHBS with national procurement initiatives
- Managing the Exceptional Circumstances (EC) Scheme

If you want to make a difference in the management of part of NZ's health resources, and thrive in a busy and challenging environment, we'd love to talk to you about joining this dynamic and successful government agency.

## Manager, Analysis and Assessment Ref (43888)

### Leadership Opportunity / High Quality Analysis

The Analysis and Assessment team has four key functions:

- ensuring the pharmaceutical budget is forecast and monitored accurately;
- undertaking data analysis and cost modelling of major commercial transactions;
- undertaking cost utility analyses to support decision making on the funding of medicines; and
- ensuring that PHARMAC's information technology, applications and related systems, and technical support operate effectively.

The quality, timeliness and relevance of the work undertaken by the team is pivotal to PHARMAC's ability to achieve the best possible health outcomes from subsidised medicines.

Reporting to the Chief Executive you would be responsible for leading and mentoring a team of analysts and health

economists, ensuring high analytical standards are met, and translating detailed analysis into key insights suitable for decision-making purposes. You would also be part of PHARMAC's senior management team, bringing the perspective of your team to a wide range of organisational management and development issues.

To be effective in the role you will need to have high level analytical and numerical skills, extensive experience applying those skills in a related environment and an appropriate qualification in economics, science or commerce. You will have successful experience in managing a team of analysts (or the potential to be a successful manager), a collaborative working style and, above all, an uncompromising eye for accuracy and analytical quality. An understanding of the health sector and issues in the pharmaceutical sector would be an advantage.

**Closing date: 16 May 2008.**