

Expressions of interest: Panel Members for Prescription and Monitoring

Overview

The **Social Workers Registration Board (SWRB)** invites expressions of interest from suitably qualified individuals to join a pool of panel members that will support the implementation of our new Education Standards and Prescription and Monitoring Framework, effective from January 2026.

These panels will play a vital role in assessing Tertiary Education Organisations (TEOs) against the new standards to ensure the quality of social work education in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Essential Expertise Required

We are looking for individuals with experience or expertise in **one or more** of the following areas:

- Social work education and practice*
- Te Ao Māori
- Assessment and evaluation against set standards
- Regulatory frameworks

Additional Expertise (Desirable)

- Non-social work tertiary education
- Employers of social workers and/or field work placement providers
- Recent social work graduates (within 5 years of graduation from a NZ prescribed programme)

*To be considered for social work expertise, applicants must be registered with the SWRB and hold a current Practising Certificate. We also welcome applications from suitably qualified and experienced people who are not social workers.

You can find more information on the job description for the [prescription and monitoring panelist role](#).

Additional information

- The SWRB anticipates scheduling four to six prescription confirmation events annually, with additional panels convened as required for new qualification applications and/or custom monitoring.
- The membership of each panel will be selected from an approved pool, based on relevant expertise and availability. Please note that inclusion in the pool does not guarantee work.
- Time commitment for each panel varies. The desk review is estimated to require 20-30 hours, with an additional 20-25 hours for panelists involved in site visits and follow-up.
- Panels may be confirmed up to three months in advance, although short notice requests may occasionally arise.
- Panel activities may be conducted online or in person, and some travel may be required depending on the nature of the event. Travel will be arranged and paid for.
- All selected panelists will be required to attend a paid training session, with the first session scheduled for early 2026 in Wellington.
- The Board will approve panelists to be included in the panelist pool.
- Short-listed candidates will be interviewed and may be asked to provide referees and consent to background checks.
- Preference will be given to candidates who demonstrate expertise across multiple domains, particularly those deemed essential to the panel's function.
- The hourly rate for panelists is \$124, excluding GST, and applies only to hours actively serving on a panel. Payment will be made upon invoice to SWRB.

You can view the [Prescription and Monitoring Framework here](#) and the [Education Standards](#)

How to Apply

To submit your Expression of Interest (EOI), please provide the following:

- **Your CV**
- **A short bio** (maximum 300 words) outlining the experience and expertise you would bring to the prescription and monitoring panel.

The selection process may include an interview. We will be in touch as we work through the process.

To submit your EOI email both documents to: [**Rebecca.Courtney@swrb.govt.nz**](mailto:Rebecca.Courtney@swrb.govt.nz)

Thank you for expressing interest in becoming a panel member.