**Senior Adviser, Health and Safety**

**Kōrero mō te tūranga - About the Role**

The Senior Adviser, Health and Safety will deliver health and safety advice to the *M. Bovis* directorate*,* develop and implement effective health and safety practices in agreed areas to ensure legislative compliance, and lead health and safety practice and culture. This requires the development of collaborative working relationships across *M. Bovis*, the Ministry for Primary Industries, and external partners and service providers.

The role is a fixed-term position that reports to the Manager Programme Services and works very closely with MPI’s Safety & Wellbeing team. The primary focus of this role is to uplift health, safety and wellbeing capability amongst the *M. Bovis* workforce.

You will be accountable for:

* Leading the delivery of new health and safety systems, policies and procedures within the directorate, ensuring these are aligned with MPI’s safety and wellbeing programme.
* Providing thought leadership and expertise in the governance of MPI health, safety and wellbeing processes and monitoring compliance with MPI policy and New Zealand legislation, including ensuring that risks are identified, controlled and mitigated.
* Conducting a programme of health and safety checks to ensure legal compliance and identifying opportunities for improvement.
* Providing coaching and mentoring as required and contributing to the ongoing development of health, safety, and wellbeing capability across *M. bovis* and MPI.

**Mōu - About You**

To be successful in this role you will be flexible and someone who can adapt and develop as environments evolve. You will have proven Health and Safety experience at Senior Level with strong communication and engagement skills alongside the below:

* Proven experience in developing and implementing safety and wellbeing processes, systems and solutions within large and complex organisations.
* Strong working knowledge of H&S legislation and of good practice in safety and wellbeing.
* Knowledge of Biosecurity New Zealand’s business environment, its strategic priorities, strengths and weaknesses.
* Proven demonstrated ability to communicate clearly and effectively (both orally and in writing) with a wide range of people in different situations, in order to explain, persuade, convince and influence others.

**Mō te Manatū Ahu Matua - About MPI**

The Ministry for Primary Industries is helping to seize export opportunities for our primary industries, improve sector productivity, ensure the food we produce is safe, increase sustainable resource use, and protect New Zealand from biological risk.

**Mō te peka - About the Branch**

At Biosecurity New Zealand, our focus is on stopping unwanted pests and diseases at the border, before they get to New Zealand, and eradicating or managing the impact of those already here. With the help of New Zealanders, we ensure our unique environments and the value of our primary industries are maintained.

Since 2018, MPI has been working on a world-first effort to eradicate the cattle disease *Mycoplasma bovis.*This a joint programme with industry. The *M. Bovis* Programme is dynamic, and change is constant. The team are passionate about what they do and enjoy working with people who want to make a difference for New Zealand.

**Me pēhea te tuku tono - How to Apply**

To view the position description and/or apply for the role please click “**APPLY FOR THIS JOB**” or visit the MPI Careers Site. For tracking and reporting purposes, all applications must be submitted through our online careers’ portal.

To apply for this role you must hold the right to work in New Zealand or be eligible to obtain it – click [here](https://www.newzealandnow.govt.nz/move-to-nz/new-zealand-visa/work-visa) to find out more about work visa eligibility and options.

**The closing date is:**

If you have any questions about the role, please email [steven.adam@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:steven.adam@mpi.govt.nz)

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