



# Practice Pharmacist

**A Practice Pharmacist is an experienced clinical pharmacist with general medicine skills. They can answer your questions and help you and your whānau understand your medicine(s).**

This role is different to the support you might receive from your community pharmacist.

**Your GP or Nurse may refer you to the Practice Pharmacist when:**

1. Your medicines are complex
2. You might be experiencing side effects
3. You have recently been in hospital
4. If there are potentially other medicines you could take.

The Practice Pharmacist will work with you and your GP or nurse to make sure the medications are right for you before making any changes.

They can help monitor and review your medicines. They are trained to make changes to your medication when it is needed, and make sure everyone involved with your care is aware of your current medication plan.

Practice Pharmacists will work closely with the GPs, nurses and others in the practice team.

The Practice Pharmacist service is free, however, when other practice clinicians are also involved in your consultation there may be the usual consultation fee. Please speak to the reception team if you have any questions.

# Your general practice team is growing with new roles to support whānau living well in our community.

**Our practice team will continue to work alongside you and your whānau to provide the best care to meet your needs.**

The new roles\* include a:

- Care Coordinator
- Practice Pharmacist
- Extended Care Paramedic
- Physiotherapist

The services provided by these roles are free for people who are enrolled or are casual patients to the practice. Please note, that when other clinicians at the practice are also involved in your consultation, usual consultation fees may apply.

\*Not all practices will have all the roles mentioned. Reach out to the reception staff to find out which roles will be available.

