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Enhancing Readiness to Practice
Survey Information Sheet for Newly Qualified Social Workers in Aotearoa New Zealand

Are you a Newly Qualified Social Worker who recently graduated from a social work programme in Aotearoa New Zealand? Are you employed in a social service agency in Aotearoa New Zealand? If so, we would love to hear from you.

We are a team of researchers interested in finding out more about the experiences of Newly Qualified Social Workers in their first years of practice. Our team is made up of Neil Ballantyne from Open Polytechnic, Liz Beddoe from Auckland University, Kath Hay from Massey University, Jane Maidment from Canterbury University, Shayne Walker from Otago University and Zoe Mayhew, Research Assistant, Massey University. The aim of our research is to find out:

- How well prepared are Newly Qualified Social Workers to enter professional social work practice?
- How is the learning for Newly Qualified Social Workers being supported and enhanced in the workplace?

To answer these question we invite you to take part in an anonymous, online survey. **It should take about thirty minutes of your time to complete the survey, please don't start until you have the time available.** To recognise your efforts, at the end of the survey, you will be able to enter your name in a prize draw for a **\$100 book voucher**.

To meet the entry criteria for this survey you must have:

- Completed an approved social work qualification from a New Zealand tertiary education institute within the last two years.
- Been employed in a social service agency in Aotearoa New Zealand for a minimum of 6 months (at least 10 hours per week) since completing your social work qualification.

Participants who complete the survey can, by posting to a separate email provided at the end of the survey, make contact with one of the researchers to go into a draw for a \$50 book voucher. It will not be possible to connect your email to the survey content and so your information will be kept anonymous.

To complete the survey please visit

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NQSWsurvey>

THE SURVEY WILL CLOSE ON FRIDAY 15th of SEPTEMBER 2017