



Medical Director

Health & Safety is an important aspect of our sport and is currently under review to ensure current policies and practices are fit for purpose.

The review has identified that ITFNZ requires a medical practitioner actively advising on health & safety matters, especially in these covid times, to ensure appropriate practices are in place.

We are looking for suitably qualified applicants for the role of Medical Director.

Purpose of Role

1. Provide medical advice & leadership to ensure ITFNZ maintains sport specific, health & safety practices for athletes whether at club, national or international level.

These sport specific health & safety practices acknowledge that some International Taekwon-Do disciplines involve physical contact that may result in injury.
2. Provide support and advice to the New Zealand Team Management and High Performance programme on medical or health matters as required.
3. Assist with the appointment process of medical staff involved in the High Performance programme.

Key Responsibilities

1. Work with Sport New Zealand, Drug Free Sport NZ, International Taekwon-Do Federation, and other organisations as appropriate to ensure compliance with medical and Covid requirements in the lead up to, and during national and international events.
2. Provide medical expertise in the development of a Covid Action Strategy for New Zealand National Teams travelling abroad.
3. Assist national team management with athlete education regarding nutrition, competition preparation, drug testing etc either directly or through identifying specialist providers.
4. Liaise with athletes and their medical specialists as appropriate to advice national team management on the status of injuries.
5. Provide medical advice to the National Coach & CEO where required, for example on anti-doping matters or medical screenings.
6. Assist ITKD develop health & safety standards to ensure a safe environment for athletes to train and compete at all levels of the sport in New Zealand. This will involve liaising with the Technical Advisory panels, ITFNZ board and management, and the regions and clubs.
7. Be ITFNZ's representative at sports medical conferences and events where able to attend.

Other Matters

1. The role is voluntary and unpaid.
2. Term of appointment is two-years.
3. The Medical Officer is appointed by the ITFNZ Board. During their term, the Medical Director cannot hold any other official positions within ITFNZ or the regional structure to ensure independence.

Required

- Medical degree
- Professional body membership

Desirable

- Sports environment experience
- Background in Taekwon-Do

Time Requirements

- Project work as assigned and based on personal circumstances

Personal Attributes

- Enthusiastic and keen to contribute to our martial art
- Good communication skills
- Able to work with a group of volunteers

Initially we are advertising this role through our membership. If you are interested in or know someone who would be interested in this role, applications can be made to CEO, Alex Hayton, at ceo@itkd.co.nz. Please include a cover letter and a CV. Applications close **Thursday 30th September 2021**.