

Do you have a family needing help with housing or urgent financial assistance?

Often in our clinical work we find families with sick children who need support with income, employment, debt or housing. Work and Income can play a role in helping these families.

If we need to connect a family to Work and Income it is best to talk to the right person to get them the information they need.

If you have a family with a chronically or acutely sick child, whose housing or financial situation is impacting on their health - here is how you can help.

Work and Income may be able to help people who don't have somewhere to live, are living somewhere that is affecting their health, are sharing a house with lots of other people, can't pay the rent or are on a low income.

For general non-urgent housing enquiries call:

Work and Income 0800 559 009

Senior Services 0800 552 002

For critical cases where you have concerns over a patient's housing needs please call your nearest Regional Commissioner Advisor (contact details overleaf).

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Contacting the Regional Commissioner Advisor

Work and Income Regional Commissioner Advisors are the key contact for you if you need to refer families where debt, low income or housing is affecting their health.

We recommend a leader from your service regularly connects with the regional commissioner advisor in your area so you know when and how you can contact them.

Northland	Nicole Butler 029 200 3746
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