

Andrew
Fire and Training Specialist

1. What is your current role at Waitemata DHB?

I am the Fire and Training Specialist.

2. What influenced your decision to come to NZ?

We had been travelling around NZ and visiting friends, fell in love with the country and the people so decided to move out here.

3. What do you find different about the work and living conditions compared to your home country?

My role is very different to what I am used to, I am still getting used to sitting behind a desk! The living conditions on the whole are an improvement to the UK, although Auckland's traffic can get fairly busy, at least most of the time there is always a nice view to get you through the jam.

4. Whats the one thing you miss about your home country?

There isn't much I miss about the UK, I suppose I should say my parents and the rest of my family but skype is a wonderful thing; enabling my daughter to wake her grandparents up and tell them all about her day at school.

5. Whats the one thing you love about NZ?

There are a number of things I am loving about NZ, the weather, the outdoors being easily accessible but I think the main thing is the friendliness of everybody, I am finding that I am walking round with a bigger smile than in the UK.

6. Why would you recommend people make the move?

All of the above!