

Kate Morrison

Registered Nurse

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

Registered nurse with 20 months on a busy general medical ward, including my supported first year of practice. I'm confident recognising and escalating deterioration, and I'm applying for a registered nurse role in your emergency department, where I did my final placement.

REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATES

Registered nurse, registered nurse scope of practice, Nursing Council of New Zealand	January 2025
Annual practising certificate, Nursing Council of New Zealand	Current to 31 March 2027
CORE Immediate (Adult), NZ Resuscitation Council	May 2026
IV therapy and cannulation certification, Kōtuku Hospital	June 2025
Medicines management competency, Kōtuku Hospital	February 2026

CLINICAL SKILLS

Clinical: Early warning scores and escalation, IV therapy and cannulation, Medication administration, Wound care, Discharge planning
Systems: Electronic medication chart, Electronic nursing notes, Acuity tool

NURSING AND WORK EXPERIENCE

Registered Nurse February 2026 – Present
Kōtuku Hospital, Ward 7 (General Medicine) · Palmerston North

- Care for 5 to 6 patients a shift on a 28-bed medical ward, on a rotating day and night roster.
- Falls link nurse: run the monthly falls audit and brought in bedside risk checks; falls dropped from 9 to 4 a quarter.
- Buddy for 4 second-year nursing students on placement in 2026.

Registered Nurse, supported first year of practice February 2025 – January 2026
Kōtuku Hospital, Ward 7 and Acute Medical Unit · Palmerston North

- Completed the 12-month graduate programme with a named preceptor and 6 study days.
- Spent 3 months in the 16-bed acute medical unit admitting patients from ED, up to 4 admissions a shift.

Healthcare Assistant (part time while studying) March 2021 – November 2024
Rimu Lodge Rest Home · Palmerston North

- Personal care for up to 10 residents a shift in a 40-bed rest home and dementia unit.

CLINICAL PLACEMENTS

Emergency Department, Kōtuku Hospital, MidCentral August 2024 – October 2024
Transition placement, 10 weeks

- Cared for up to 4 patients in the acute area under my preceptor; observed triage and joined 3 resuscitations.

Community Mental Health Team, Manawātū March 2024 – April 2024
Placement, 6 weeks

- Joined home visits and depot clinics; completed supervised risk assessments.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Nursing
Ruahine Polytechnic

2024

- Final-year placement prize for clinical practice

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- PDRP: Competent level portfolio approved February 2026, next due February 2029.
- Te Tiriti o Waitangi and cultural safety study day, 2025.
- Emergency nursing short course (triage and ECGs), 3 days, 2026.

REFEREES

- Jo Harrington, Charge Nurse Manager, Ward 7, Kōtuku Hospital · 021 555 0186 · jo.harrington@example.com
- Sam Patel, Clinical Nurse Educator and my graduate preceptor, Kōtuku Hospital · 021 555 0193 · sam.patel@example.com