



Annette Rief

NP area of practice: Cardiac Care

Employed by: Ki A Ora Ngatiwai

Based: Kamo

My name is Annette Rief and I have recently joined the NP Team in Northland. I completed my Hospital-based Nursing training in a small town called Bad Reichenhall/Germany in 1985. There I worked in a general medical ward and later in a coronary care unit (Ludwigshafen) and two intensive care units (Heidelberg and Ludwigshafen). In addition to my nursing qualification I also have a Master's Degree in Social Work and a Bachelor in Educational Science, Political Science and Media and Communication Science.

When I moved to New Zealand in 1997 I started working at the cardio-thoracic intensive care at Green Lane Hospital in Auckland. I started my Masters in Nursing in 2000 and in 2003 I took on a Nurse Specialist role, working with adults with congenital heart disease. This role grew quickly into the Nurse Practitioner model of care and after working on my portfolio for two years the Nursing Council endorsed me as a Nurse Practitioner Cardiac Care with prescribing rights in July 2007.

In January 2008 I got formally employed as Nurse Practitioner Adult Congenital Heart Disease at Auckland City Hospital. In May 2017 I left this role and took on my current role as Advanced Nurse Practitioner in Maori Primary Health at Ki A Ora Ngatiwai in Kamo, Northland.