



Anika Rao

ICT Security Specialist — SOC Analyst

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PROFILE

SOC analyst with 3.5 years monitoring and responding to threats for NZ telecom and financial clients. Experienced with Sentinel, Defender, threat hunting, incident response and NZISM-aligned reporting.

EXPERIENCE

SOC Analyst (L2)

Apr 2023 – Present

Kordia, Auckland

- Investigate 80+ weekly security incidents for 20 NZ customers.
- Built 25 KQL detections lowering false positives 35%.
- Lead incident response for ransomware attempts; contained within 20 min.
- Produce NCSC-aligned incident reports.

SOC Analyst (L1)

Jan 2022 – Mar 2023

Datacom, Auckland

- 24×7 monitoring and alert triage.
- Escalated confirmed incidents and handed over shifts.

SKILLS

SOC: Microsoft Sentinel, Defender for Endpoint, Threat hunting (KQL), SOAR playbooks

Frameworks: MITRE ATT&CK, NZISM, ISO 27001, NIST 800-61

Technical: Python, PowerShell, Wireshark, Cloud security (Azure)

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

BSc Information Technology

Auckland University of Technology, 2021

- CompTIA CySA+
- Microsoft SC-200
- GIAC GCIH in progress

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