



TE PAE ORANGA

RUAHINE | TARARUA

Powhiri for Dan Kawana



Upcoming Events

TPO Board Hui

13 February
2pm
Two36 Broadway Ave
Palmerston North

MALT Hui

31 January
2pm - 3pm
35 Victoria Ave
& Teams

Ngaro atu he tētēkura, whakaeke mai he tētēkura. On Tuesday 16 January we attended the pōwhiri at Te Rangimarie marae in Rangiotū to welcome Daniel Kawana to his new role as Pītau Whakarei Māori of Pai Ora Paiaka Whaiora Hauora Māori, Te Whatu Ora MidCentral. E te uri o Ngāti Raukawa, Rangitāne, Ngāti Hine, nau mai hoki mai ki tō ūkaipō, ki te mātotorutanga o ngā iwi o te rohe nei. We look forward to working closely with you in the weeks, months and years to come.

THINK Hauora has a new CEO!

Welcome to the new Chief Executive Officer of THINK Hauora, Amarjit Maxwell. Originally hailing from the UK, Amarjit has a background in health and local government across the UK and Aotearoa. Her passion for improving Hauora outcomes for all, led her to become the Chief Executive of Collaborative Aotearoa where she has been for the past two years. Through her mahi, Amarjit was instrumental in the establishment of the enhanced Health Care Home model of care. This model has been designed to improve the quality and sustainability of general practice with a strong focus on honouring Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Amarjit has been a long-standing advocate for primary healthcare, focusing on important issues like funding, workforce, and equity. Having worked with Primary Health Organisations across the motu, she has a true passion for working towards Hauora for our whānau and communities, knowing that this can only be done in partnership with others.





Congratulations Sarah Fenwick

Sarah Fenwick has been appointed as the Group Director Operations, Te Pae Hauora o Ruahine o Tararua - MidCentral

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MANA HAUORA Paper
Na Ta Mason Durie
A Discussion Paper

To read the discussion paper, see [below](#)



Job Vacancy Kaiarahi Kaupapa (Project Leader & Manager)

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- Fixed Term (12 months), full-time role

Tāhū Ora is a backbone of transformation warriors who work passionately in the Manawatu Rohe to support the improvement of Hauora Māori. Our main mahi is to take the strategic goals of Te Pae Oranga o Ruahine o Tararua, the Iwi Māori Partnership Board; and turn them into action!

Join us to make meaningful contribution to our Iwi, hapu and whānau through the creation of equitable, accessible, cohesive and whānau driven kaupapa within the health system. We are looking for change makers and innovators to join our team to manage, lead, facilitate and support new and exciting hauora māori kaupapa for our rohe.

For more information on this position click [here.](#)

Applications will close Friday 26 January 2024.



To apply click the link [here.](#)

Investment Programme

The Te Mātāwai Investment Programme is designed to support Māori language revitalisation efforts within whānau, hapori and iwi.

Registrations open 1 Dec 2023 - 31 Jan 2024
Applications open 1 Jan 2024 - 29 Feb 2024

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A hundred years ago in 1923, Dr Peter Buck (Te Rangihiroa) was establishing a Māori Health Council to advise the Department of Health. Appointments from several regions included Iwi leaders. But before the process was complete Dr Buck was advised to discontinue appointments and to disestablish the Council. He subsequently resigned from his position and left the Department.

Thirty-five years ago in 1990, the National Māori Congress was established. It was independent of government controls and had representatives from 37 Iwi but did not speak on behalf of the Iwi. Instead, it represented Māori views on matters relevant to all Māori, including economic, social, cultural, environmental, and political issues, and to advance a unified national Māori position on significant policy matters both nationally and internationally. However following divided opinions about the governments intentions for the Sealords Fisheries deal, the Congress ceased to exist after 1995.

One year ago in 2022, along with other major changes to the NZ health system, a Māori Health Authority was established. In one sense the Authority provided a vehicle to relay Māori health needs and priorities. But it was not accountable to Māori. Instead, as a government agency, it reported to the Minister of Health. The new 2023 National Coalition Government made it clear that central to their policy, a Māori-centred government agency would be disestablished. So the Authority will cease to exist soon.

There are many more examples of situations where Māori participation has been subject to political whim. While the emphasis on Te Tiriti O Waitangi has been Critical for Māori participation within Aotearoa NZ, it does not necessarily guarantee Māori aspirations within Te Ao Māori. The Treaty is not an endpoint. Nor is a relationship with the present Coalition Government necessarily the overall aim for Māori. Therefore, a Māori led option – based on indigeneity and whakapapa – would enable continuity that goes beyond the three (3) year political terms to recognize centuries of leadership, and to provide greater certainty for our rangatahi, current whanau lives and future aspirations.

An independent Māori voice is needed so that our future is not entirely dependent on government. The independent voice will have multiple relationships – with Pacific nations, with world-wide indigenous peoples, with the WHO, with overseas trade partners – and with the NZ Government.

The question is what will an independent Aotearoa-wide Māori voice look like? It would recognise existing Māori authorities such as Iwi Leader Chairs Forum, Kuapapa Māori health and education authorities, Whanau Ora CA, the Māori Womens Welfare League, the NZ Māori Council, Rangatahi, and others and it will also reflect a national contemporary Māori reality. It will not usurp current Māori voices but will provide a forum where Māori voices in a changing world can come together and plan for a coordinated future.

A stepping stone will be the establishment of **He Taumata**, a forum where Iwi Māori leaders meet and plan for the future. The forum will include representatives from Kingitanga, the Iwi Leaders Chairs Forum, the Māori Womens Welfare League, the NZ Māori Council, from organisations such as TE ORA (Māori Doctors), Māori nurses and teachers and other health and education workers, from people with lived experience, from Whānau Ora Commissioning Agency and other community organisations. It will not be dependent on Government funding but will foster a Māori-led journey that reflects contemporary Māori society in a global context.

He Taumata Board would provide governance and secretariat roles and seek funding from Iwi, Māori KMOs, maybe the NZ Government, the World Health Organisation, and the United Nations Indigenous Health Committee – and the philanthropic, private sector.

As an independent body, and not part of the Coalition Government, it will be instrumental in constructing a system where Māori can be healthy, well, and grounded in te ao Māori.

Ta M H Durie

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