

Upcoming Events

Heart Health
Awareness Month

1 February

to

29 February

TWO Stakeholder Virtual Hui

9am - 9:45pm

TPO Board Hui

12 March 2pm Two36 Broadway Ave Palmerston North

MALT HUI

13 March 2pm 2pm - 3pm 35 Victoria Ave & Teams



Child poverty statistics show increase in material hardship for the year ended June 2023

According to figures released by Stats NZ, Three of the nine measures of child poverty increased for the year ended June 2023 compared with the previous year.

For the primary measures of child poverty in Aotearoa New Zealand, in the year ended June 2023:

- 1 in 8 children (12.6 percent) lived in low-income households that had less than 50 percent of the median equivalised disposable household income before deducting housing costs (measure (a) of the Act)
- 1 in 6 children (17.5 percent) lived in low-income households that had an after-housing-costs income that was less than 50 percent of the baseline year's median after-housing-costs equivalised disposable household income (measure (b))
- 1 in 8 children (12.5 percent) lived in households experiencing material hardship.

Te Whatu Ora

Te Aka Whai Ora

Health New Zealand

Stakeholder Virtual Hui 6 March

We are excited about our first stakeholder virtual hui for the year and invite you to join us on 6 March, 9.00-9.45am.

We will discuss the Governments new health targets including a presentation about the extension of free breast screening to women aged 70-74.

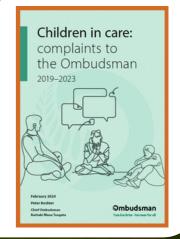
You'll have the opportunity to post questions via the event link and there will be a focused question and answer session in the second half of the hui.

If you would like to register or receive an invitation for this and future events, click here: Invitation.

To check out the previous hui, including responses to questions and feedback, you can access the recordings Te Whatu Ora and Te Aka Whai Ora.

Children in care: complaints to the Ombudsman 2019–2023

The Ombudsman in New Zealand has always had the ability to investigate the processes and practices of Oranga Tamariki – Ministry for Children and its predecessor government departments and ministries.



Te Aka Whai Ora & Hauora Māori **Providers Hui**

Te Aka Whai Ora national team is moving around Aotearoa workshopping Outcomes Business Plans with Iwi/Māori Hauora Providers. On Thursday they were in Papaioea. Holding the ninth and tenth workshops. Ably led by Toni Roberts, Future Commissioning, TAWO, attendees were provided with practical examples of what is required for the business plan template. Brad Norman is pictured taking the roopu through Logic Modelling and Outcomes Measurement.



Family Planning Rebrand

To find out more about the Family Planning Rebrand, see the links below.

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Crown set to to jump the gun on Māori Health **Authority bill**

- The Government is due to appear at the Waitangi Tribunal on Thursday and Friday, over its plans to close Te Aka Whai Ora, the Māori Health Authority.
- But Crown lawyers say the Government might introduce its bill to close Te Aka Whai Ora before Thursday's hearing - thereby removing the Tribunal's jurisdiction of this issue.
- Māori health leaders applied for an urgent hearing to protect Te Aka Whai Ora, arguing it's a vital instrument to improve Māori health outcomes.

To read the full article click here.

Ki te Ara Whakamua: Māori **Community Action Fund**

Applications to the Ki te Ara Whakamua: Māori AOD Community Action Fund are now open!

This one-off contestable fund has been established to support Māori solutions to reduce AOD harm.

Two funding streams are available:

- Whānau-led initiatives with grants up to \$10,000
- Community-led initiatives with grants up to \$25,000

To find out more here.

To apply for Ki te Ara Whakamua: Māori Community Action Fund 2024 visit

www.wharetukutuku.com/aod-fund/



NZ Royal Commission COVID-19 Lessons Learned

Te Tira Ārai Urutā public consultation

The COVID-19 pandemic affected all of us, and New Zealanders – both here and living overseas – were asked to undertake extraordinary actions throughout its duration. The Royal Commission of Inquiry into COVID-19 Lessons Learned I Te Tira Ārai Urutā is looking at what can be learned from the pandemic to ensure that Aotearoa New Zealand is as prepared as possible for future pandemics.

An important part of the Inquiry's work is to understand what happened to people and why.

You can share your COVID-19 experiences with us using the submission forms below. You can also watch a video from Inquiry Chair Professor Tony Blakely explaining more about the process to share your experience, as well as find tools and resources we've developed to support you.

To enter your own submission click the link here.