



TE PAE ORANGA

RUAHINE | TARARUA

Upcoming Events

TWO Stakeholder

Virtual Hui

30 January
3:30pm - 4:15pm

[Online](#)

MALT Hui

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

TPO Board Hui

13 February
2pm
Two36 Broadway Ave
Palmerston North

Measles alerts overseas prompts warning for New Zealand travellers

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand

Te Whatu Ora clinicians are advising Kiwis travelling overseas to make sure they are fully immunised against measles, particularly as cases continue to occur in a number of countries, including Australia.

This advice has never been timelier as 15 people travelling through Australia on a flight two weeks ago were exposed to a measles case before continuing onto New Zealand, creating the potential for cases to develop here.

Click [here](#) to read more.

App being developed to support health and wellbeing of construction workers

Te Aka Whai Ora
Māori Health Authority

Manaaki Tangata is a new app being developed by hauora Māori partner Social Supply Labour, to support the health and wellbeing of whānau working or wanting to work in the construction industry.

Research suggests that construction workers are more than twice as likely than the rest of the Aotearoa workforce to die by suicide, with Māori men making up more than one-fifth of deaths.

To read the full article click [here](#).

National IMPB Hui Reflection



Following the announcement of the disestablishment of Te Aka Whai Ora, Iwi Māori Partnership Boards (IMPBs) discussed with each other and with key stakeholders how IMPBs can continue to maintain and enhance their influence to address whanau needs and aspirations. Following which a national hui was called with some urgency. Last week a two-day national IMPB meeting was held in Te Tairāwhiti and hosted by Te Manawa Taki at Te Poho o Rāwiri Marae and was attended by our Board Chair and Deputy Chair. The purpose of the hui was to develop a collective understanding of the future of IMPBs and to confirm opportunities to continue working together to ensure whanau voice is heard and outcomes achieved. Invitations were also extended to various crown officials from Te Aka Whai Ora, Manatū Hauora, and Te Whatu Ora.

The first day of the hui largely focused on whakawhanaungatanga and updates from each of the IMPB attending. There was an opportunity to discuss a national operating model tabled by the Te Manawa Taki. There was much debate about having a shared operating model and it was agreed that more time would be needed for further discussion to ensure a balance between collective impact and maintaining a regional focus and ultimately mana motuhake for each iwi. It was however agreed that all IMPBs are committed to working together under the principle of Kotahitanga and that all have a desire to be active in the redesign of the system under the current government. The second day we welcomed officials early in the morning to join us, including Margie Apa, Chief Executive - Te Whatu Ora, Riana Manuel, Chief Executive - Te Aka Whai Ora, John Whaanga, Deputy Director General Māori Health - Manatū Hauora, Tipa Mahuta, Board Chair - Te Aka Whai Ora, Abbe Anderson, National Director Commissioning - Te Whatu Ora, among others. All senior officials were provided questions and presented their answers at the hui. While there was lots of detail and advice included in their presentations, there was one resounding message in that as a national collective we were encouraged to rally together quickly to meet with the Minister to ensure we are included in any future system change including policy, legislation or design development. To date, it appears that there is little detail being provided to each of the organisations that they can share about what the future might look like and they too await crown direction.

Consequently, a collective letter is currently being drafted to Minister Reti requesting a hui to meet with representatives across the four regions. It is intended that at this hui a request for the following will be put forward:

- IMPBs request active involvement in the redesign and implementation of any future system changes.
- Submission of names of representatives from each of the four regions to sit on the Hauora Māori Advisory Committee (HMAC) to the Minister.
- Appropriate resourcing of IMPB's to carry out its legislative functions.

Activity is currently underway to prepare for the hui with the Minister and to determine who each of the representatives attending will be and who will be put forward for HMAC. Further work between the chairs of each IMPB continues as a matter of urgency. Updates will be provided as matters progress.

In the interim we extend our deepest gratitude to our hosts Ngāti Oneone from Te Poho o Rāwiri Marae who hosted and looked after us for the two days, beautiful place and beautiful kai, and to the Te Manawa Taki region IMPBs who organised and facilitated the two days, an unenviable task to corral all the diverse korero from across the motu.

Te Pae Oranga o Ruahine o Tararua Deputy Chair - Michelle Riwai