



Te Tāhū Hauora
Health Quality & Safety
Commission

Minutes of Ngā Reo Māhuri Young Voices group hui – 13 March

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| Chair | Hariata Bell |
| Ngā Reo Māhuri members | Natasha Astill, Naomi Vailima, Joshua McMillan, Jaden Hura-White, Ataahua Hepi, Jack Ruddenklau |
| Te Tāhū Hauora staff | Carlton Irving, DJ Adams, Doug Edwards |
| Apology | Tiare Makenesi, Dez McCormack |
| Guests | Karen Gibson (Te Tāhū Hauora), New Zealand Psychology Board – Vanessa Simpson, CE and Rob Paramo, Project Lead. Parani Morgan (lead on government Youth Advisory Groups (YAGs) work) |

The hui was held at the Due Drop Events centre Manukau

The hui began at 9.15am

1. Mihi Whakatau for Jack Ruddenklau

The group welcomed Jack Ruddenklau to the rōpū.

2. Whakawhanaungatanga

The members introduced themselves and shared why they are a member of Ngā Reo Māhuri.

3. Standard business – previous minutes, actions items and interests register

Updates to Interests register noted for Natasha Astill, Joshua McMillan and Jack Ruddenklau. These will be reflected in the next hui papers.

4. New Zealand Psychologists Board – Developing Assistant/ Associate role/s

Rob and Vanessa introduced themselves to the rōpū. They gave a presentation on the new Associate/Assistant Psychologists roles and brought questions to workshop with the group on this work.

The presentation will be shared with the rōpū.

Key points of the discussion included:

- Consumers and people with lived experience have opportunities to feed into development of this mahi.
- Training will include a component of supported practicum, including working with people with disabilities.
- Under Pae Ora, what does consumer engagement look like and what does that look like for the future of this mahi. The Board has been slow to engage with consumer and whānau voice. There is understanding that it is important to engage with consumers and whānau. The steering group has representation of priority populations.

- Te Tiriti o Waitangi and equity to be embedded into these roles including a full understanding of and enacting Te Tiriti and equity.
- The AP roles intend to provide a springboard for Māori and Pacific people to be part of this programme and then progress to accredited Psychologists.
- It is important to address the known barriers for Māori and Pacific to enter this career pathway.
- Understanding how AP roles differ from what HLPs and nurses already do.
- What will the board do to ensure that the public have good understanding of this role.
- What is the timeframe for implementing this role? The early stages will be a proving process for this mahi.
- APs are supported to remain in the scope of this mahi.
- Finding the appropriate title for the role, how to be sure that there is no ambiguity of an Assistant or Associate in these roles. Consider the use of an 'Enrolled' Psychologists.
- The main difference between an Intern Psychologists and this new role IP is at post grad level, and they are trainees
- Consider that being an AP does not create a situation of holding Aps in this role and restraining their progression to accreditation.

5. Primary care resource implementation guide

The work to review and update the consumer and whānau engagement primary care resource was discussed with plans for Ngā Reo Māhuri to review and provide feedback on the draft version.

6. Mana Mokopuna Children and Young People's Commission

Parani Morgan introduced himself and gave a presentation on the mahi of Mana Mokopuna and how he can add value to the mahi of the rōpū.

Key points included:

- Voices activity discussed what is happening in the motu. Best intentions, however, where is the appreciation for consumer voice. Where is my voice and where is it going?
- To provide an understanding of what Mana Mokopuna do (the Children's and Young peoples' commission).
- Kia kuru pounamu te rongo – All mokopuna live their best lives.
- Under 18 and up to 25 if they have been in State Care.
- We had to pivot to ensure that our mahi remains relevant and impactful
- [Youth Plan](#) provides advice in the appropriate methods of engaging with young people.
- Youth Advisory Groups (YAG) networking events

Connect with Parani and Mana Mokopuna to continue the conversation on how mokopuna voice can be engaged in health

7. Succession planning breakout session

The rōpū shared their whakaaro and insights on succession planning during this breakout session.

Key points included:

- Planning must be decided by us (Ngā Reo Māhuri)
- Staggered succession in experience and role
- Co-chair model, Tuakana Teina
- Co-governance partnership
- Connecting with Kōtuinga Kiritaki and Te Kāhui Mahi Ngātahi
- Cross pollination
- Holding our space

- Opportunities for consumer development – governance and communication courses

8. System Safety Strategy

Carlton and Karen provided a presentation of the mahi the System Safety Strategy ropu are undertaking regarding the principles.

Key points included:

- Do the principles define quality and safety to you?
- Discussion on what is missing from the principles
- Discussion on workforce that reflects the community it serves
- Horizon scanning of what the future looks like.

Next steps: Karen will summarise key points from this discussion and send to Ngā Reo Māhuri for feedback in the next couple of weeks.

Questions can be emailed to systemsafetystrategy@hqsc.govt.nz

9. Update on Māori health and Consumer team mahi

DJ provided an update to the rōpū on the Māori Health and Consumer team mahi.

Key points included:

- Regional workshops in Te Tai o Poutini West Coast
 - Held two consumer workshops in Hokitika and Reefton, and one health provider workshop in Greymouth
- Case studies
 - Four case studies to be produced
 - Carterton Medical Centre, Te Omanga Hospice, Collaborative Aotearoa, Rare Disorder NZ
- New team members
 - Jahminique Chivers – Māori Data Governance role (starting on Monday 17 March)
 - New Māori Health and Consumer Advisor joining soon

10. Other Business

Environmental scans – a discussion about the members providing written environmental scan reports that may inform the scans board paper. The members recognised the importance of providing their reports and are supportive.

Note: Te Tāhū Hauora received resignation from Ciccone Hakaraia-Turner. The group were informed by Ciccone and had the opportunity to write a message in a farewell e-card for Ciccone.

11. Karakia and close

The hui closed with karakia at 3.30 pm

Next hui: 7 May 2025 – via Teams