

Briefing

Meeting with Te Hiringa Mahara Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission

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To:	Hon Matt Doocey, Minister for Mental Health		
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Purpose

1. The purpose of this paper is to provide a proposed agenda and key discussion points for a meeting with you, Hayden Wano, Board Chair and Karen Orsborn, Chief Executive of Te Hiringa Mahara - Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission on Wednesday 10 April 2024.

Proposed agenda

2. We propose the following items for discussion.
 - a. Kia Manawanui
 - b. Letter of Expectation and 2024/25 Statement of Performance Expectations
 - c. Board Appointment
 - d. Report on assessment of Pacific Peoples' wellbeing

Current work

Kia Manawanui Aotearoa and Mental Health and Wellbeing strategy

3. Kia Manawanui is the whole of government strategy and ten-year action plan for supporting mental health and wellbeing. Our 2023/24 work programme includes a report assessing the government's progress in implementation of Kia Manawanui. The Kia Manawanui report is focussed on monitoring implementation of short-term actions; using 'leadership' as the enabler to monitor, monitoring across actions, system impacts and system outcomes; and utilising the actions, system change indicators and system impacts set out in Kia Manawanui. We have completed twenty interviews with Lived Experience and Housing providers, and will develop and publish a report based by 30 June 2024.
4. Our submission on the Pae Ora amendment bill supports the inclusion of a Mental Health and Wellbeing strategy in the Pae Ora Act and the proposed requirement for Te Hiringa Mahara to be consulted when developing the Government Policy Statement on Health.

Report on Pacific Peoples' wellbeing

5. Our report on Pacific wellbeing will be published in May. The report draws on our He Ara Oranga wellbeing framework and indicators, complemented by Pacific views on wellbeing, to assess recent trends and inequities in Pacific wellbeing. It then draws on engagement with Pacific organisations and community leaders to identify the key barriers to wellbeing identified by Pacific communities, and action needed to address these.
6. You will be provided with an update, including the findings of the report, before publication. Publication is currently scheduled for 22 May and will be accompanied by media engagement and a talanoa with Pacific stakeholders to share the findings.

He Ara Āwhina monitoring

7. We are in the final stages of completing our 2024 monitoring report. The report focuses on access to mental health and addiction services over the last five years to June 2023.
8. The report has a specific focus on the access and options domain of our He Ara Āwhina monitoring framework and is a deeper investigation into mental health and addiction service use, informed by both quantitative and qualitative data.
9. The report has had expert input from two reference groups (sector and lived experience) through a series of hui during late January / early February. Membership of these reference groups included a diverse range of sector leaders.
10. The report will be supported by an updated He Ara Āwhina dashboard, infographics and a voices report that captures the themes of what we heard through the qualitative data collection.
11. We will share the findings from the report with you at our meeting in May, prior to publication in early June.

Strategic context

Letter of Expectation and 2024/25 Statement of Performance Expectations

12. We are drafting our 2024/25 Statement of Performance Expectations. This will be provided to you as responsible Minister for comment by 1 May 2024.
13. We will continue to build on what we have heard through engagement, monitoring and reporting. Our key areas of focus will be providing system leadership based on research and knowledge of the mental health and wellbeing system, intentional advocacy, and monitoring the wellbeing, mental health, and addiction systems.
14. We would like to discuss your expectations regarding our deliverables prior to formally sending the SPE for comment on 1 May.

Board appointment

15. We have a Board vacancy following the recent resignation of Taimi Allan. The Chair has commenced discussions with Manatū Hauora for the appointment to the Commission Board, bringing the Board to a full complement of seven members.

Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) (Improving Mental Health Outcomes) Amendment Bill

16. Our submission on the Pae Ora amendment bill does not support the proposal to include the Mental health and Wellbeing Commission as a health entity. This will have the unintended consequence of reducing the statutory independence of the Commission.

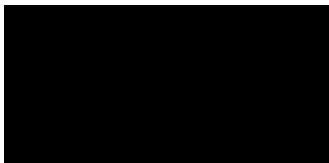
Next steps

17. We will continue to keep you abreast of our work programme and strategic direction through briefings and monthly meetings.

Recommendations

We recommend you:

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| a) | note the contents of this briefing | Yes / No |
| b) | note Te Hiringa Mahara intends to proactively release this briefing as part of our proactive release policy | Yes / No |



Karen Orsborn
Chief Executive
Date: 2/04/2024

Hon Matt Doocey
Minister for Mental Health
Date:

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