

Expressions of Interest: te ao Māori data and reporting expertise

(secondment, fixed term position, or contract)

Te Hiringa Mahara, formally known as the Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission, is seeking te ao Māori data and reporting expertise to support key deliverables of the mental health and addiction sector leadership team.

Summary

- Te Hiringa Mahara is a Te Tiriti o Waitangi-grounded organisation
- Expressions of interests will be considered from a variety of arrangements, including a secondment, fixed term position, contracted individual, or a consulting agency
- Part-time position, with number of hours each week to be negotiated
- To start ASAP, up until 30 June 2023
- To work on three projects requiring te ao Māori expertise within the mental health and addiction sector leadership portfolio:
 1. Developing methods & measures for the te ao Māori perspective of the He Ara Āwhina framework
 2. Using these methods and measures to monitor and report on mental health and addiction services
 3. Data gathering, analysis and writing on an insight report on Kaupapa Māori mental health and addiction services.

About Te Hiringa Mahara

Te Hiringa Mahara is an independent Crown entity with the objective to contribute to better and equitable mental health and wellbeing outcomes for people in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Te Hiringa Mahara is an organisation committed to being grounded in Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Not only do legal obligations require Te Hiringa Mahara to take account of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in its work, but is committed to enabling a system that achieves better and equitable mental health and wellbeing outcomes for Māori.

We are also required to seek the views of people who have experienced mental distress, people who have experienced addictions (or both), and the persons (including family and whānau) who support them.

We are a new organisation established to provide system oversight and leadership in the transformation of our mental health and wellbeing system. We will contribute to better

and more equitable mental health and wellbeing outcomes for all people in Aotearoa through monitoring and reporting, advice, and advocacy.

Further details can be found at www.mhwc.govt.nz.

Contract tasks

The mental health and addiction sector leadership team is responsible for monitoring and reporting on mental health services and addiction services and advocating on areas that matter most for mental health and addiction system transformation.

We are seeking te ao Māori expertise to lead and deliver on mahi within three connected projects:

Developing methods & measures for the He Ara Āwhina framework

In June 2022 we published the He Ara Āwhina framework which describes what an ideal mental health and addiction system looks like from a te ao Māori perspective and from a shared perspective. This framework was developed with consultation across the mental health and addiction system, with communities (including people with lived experience and whānau), and with oversight by an Expert Advisory Group and Expert Advisory Group Māori roopū. We have now begun the important next stage of mahi to develop the methods and measures for how we will assess and monitor the mental health and addiction system.

We are seeking te ao Māori expertise to lead the development of methods and measures for the te ao Māori perspective of the He Ara Āwhina framework, using both qualitative and quantitative data. You will work with our Technical Advisory Network Māori roopū, Expert Advisory Group Māori roopū and internal Māori roopū Ngā Ringa Raupā led by the Chief Advisor Māori.

Te Huringa – monitoring mental health and addiction services

Te Huringa Mahara has a mandated function to independently monitor mental health and addiction services. Earlier this year we published Te Huringa 2022. This was a transitional report to bridge the gap between the former Mental Health Commissioner's 2020 report and when we are ready to use our new He Ara Āwhina framework. We are now preparing for our next iteration of Te Huringa, to be released from March 2023.

Te Huringa 2023 is the continuation of the above project, where we report findings from our monitoring using the established methods and measures.

We are seeking te ao Māori expertise to tell the story from the qualitative and quantitative data for the te ao Māori perspective of the framework, to shine a light on what is working for Māori, what isn't and how this has changed over time. As part of this deliverable, you will continue to engage with the same roopū as deliverable 1, as well as tāngata whaiora, whānau, and service providers.

Kaupapa Māori insights report

Te Hiringa Mahara has committed to advocate for the expansion of kaupapa Māori services and to better understand what is important to Māori whānau. This insights report is part of our monitoring of mental health and addiction services and seeks to answer the question 'is investment in kaupapa Māori mental health and addiction services equitable'. In doing so, the insights report will examine the current need, current investment, and assess whether the investment is reflective of the need and with respect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

We are seeking te ao Māori expertise to support the data gathering, analysis, and writing of this insights report.

Across these three projects, you will work as part of our project team and connect with a range of internal and external experts.

Selection criteria

As a Te Tiriti o Waitangi-grounded organisation, we are committed to fulfilling our responsibility as an independent Crown entity to honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi. We are committed to a 'by-Māori, for-Māori, with Māori' approach to monitor against the te ao Māori perspective of He Ara Āwhina. For this reason, we seek expressions of interests from Māori, or a Māori-led approach.

Alongside this fundamental criterion, we are looking for people who have:

Significant relevant work experience and expertise in matauranga and te ao Māori frameworks and indigenous research methodologies.

Expertise in both qualitative and quantitative data approaches.

Excellent writing skills, ability to tell the story from data in a holistic way, and experience writing significant reports.

Experience working in the New Zealand health and disability sector, particularly the mental health and addiction sector, is highly desirable.

We welcome expressions of interests from a range of different arrangements. It could be a one-person model on a secondment, fixed-term, or a contracted basis. Alternatively, it

could be a consulting agency providing a team model. If it is on an individual basis, we ideally want an arrangement where that individual has a support process or network, to support the work if the individual is unable to do so (e.g. sickness, personal matters).

People can be located anywhere across Aotearoa as we utilise an online work environment. Alternatively, office space within our Wellington office is also available.

Timeframes

This work is to start as soon as possible and be completed by 30 June 2023. The work is on a part-time basis, and number of hours can be negotiated (indicatively 20-30 hours per week).

Budget and procurement

Terms of contract will be negotiated on an hourly rate or fixed sum. The procurement for this work will conform to existing procurement policies.

How to submit an expression of interest

Please send your CV, Cover Letter and completed application form to hr@mhwc.govt.nz.

Expressions of interest close 12:00pm, Tuesday 27 September 2022.