



Te Kahui Atawhai O Te Motu Inc
National Collective Iwi Maori Social Services

He Panui / Tuarima

***He tai o waho o Rehua
He tai tapu, he tai mihi pea,
he tai mate
Ko te wehi ki a Ihowa
o ngā mano
Ko te whakaaro pai ki
ngā tāngata katoa***

Tenā koutou i ngā tini āhuatanga o te wā,
Nau mai hoki mai ki tā tātou Pānui a Ipurangi. Welcome to our E-Newsletter! We are in the process of redesigning our website and adding new features to it to keep our members up to date with news and events. Some of the new features will include a Forum and information on our current projects. If your organisation would like a hard copy of the Newsletter you may wish to print this page. Alternatively you can contact our office by email, phone or fax and we will post it out to you.

Te Kahui Atawhai o te Motu Incorporated

Te Kahui Atawhai O Te Motu Inc is the national body for Iwi and Māori Social Service Providers in New Zealand. We provide a range of services to our members located throughout New Zealand.

We offer a collective Māori voice within the Social Services sector representing Iwi and Māori Social Services interests at local and national government level.

Our executive committee meets regularly to discuss ways in which to increase Māori health and wellbeing.



***Please feel free to browse our website
at www.tekahuiatawhai.com***

The Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is nominated and appointed by members at an Annual General Meeting (AGM) every two (2) years. We are pleased to introduce this experienced and skilled governing body.

Arapeta Hamilton

Te Taitokerau and Chair of the Executive Board

Wheturangi Walsh-Tapiata

Te Upoko O Te Ika and Vice Chair

Wanda Kiel-Rapana

Tainui/Hauraki/Maniapoto

Leigh Mohi

Waiariki/Mataatua

Jenny Langford

Te Tai Hauauru

Rawiri McGhee

Te Tai Rawhiti

Gilbert Taurua

Te Waipounamu

Maureen Mua

Takitimu



We are currently in the process of electing Rohe Representatives for Tamaki Makaurau and Te Tau Ihu. This information will be updated in the near future. For further information on our Executive Board Members please refer to our website.

Services

Te Kahui Atawhai's range of advice and services include:

- Influencing Crown Agents
- Advocating on behalf of members
- Provider Development
- Strategic Planning
- Business Planning
- Succession Planning
- Policies and Procedures
- Quality Management Systems
- Advice & Support
- Distribution of Social Service information
- Networking and capacity building
- Undertaking research projects

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO TE MAARI JOE

Te Kahui Atawhai o te Motu acknowledges the retirement of Te Maari Joe, Vice Chairperson and rohe representative for Takitimu. Te Maari has been a stalwart of Te Kahui Atawhai o te Motu since she joined in 2003.

Her wealth of knowledge of tikanga and also community work has been of great assistance to the work of Te Kahui Atawhai o te Motu.

Ngā manaakitanga o te Runga Rawa ki runga i a koe mo ngā rā me ngā tau e haere mai ana



MEMBERSHIP

Becoming a member of Te Kahui Atawhai O Te Motu has many benefits for your organisation. Some of these benefits include:

- Advice on the development of Iwi and Māori Social Services and the impact on your organisation.
- The opportunity to work collaboratively on similar projects with other Iwi and Māori Social Service providers.
- Being part of a collective body that influences local and national government on issues relating to Iwi and Māori Social Services.

We're keen to build our membership throughout the country, and we're interested in hearing from you. If you think Te Kahui Atawhai is an organisation that can help you in your development of Iwi and Maori Social Services please contact us by sending an email to admin@tekahuiatawhai.com

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Recently we sent out a membership update form to all of our members. We are happy to report we have had 98 replies to date. We are still waiting on approximately 200 replies. Your membership is very important to us and we would like to update your details should there be any changes. Please let us know if you have any queries otherwise we look forward to hearing from you soon.

PROJECTS - KNOWING IS

GROWING

Extract From Tu Mai Magazine

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Te Kahui Atawhai O Te Motu Inc is the national representative of Iwi Māori Social Service providers involved in organising a number of initiatives over 2006-07 under their recently launched 'Knowing is Growing' campaign.

Aimed at upskilling iwi Māori Social Service providers throughout the country, the task is a huge undertaking but one that is critical to improved delivery of social services.

Given the predominantly Māori and Polynesian client base of social services, Te Kahui Atawhai CEO, Teresa Curtis says the projects are important because they will assist providers to build on current capability within their organisations and regions. The first of the initiatives will run from mid May to mid-June offering a series of free 'Programme and Evaluation Logic Training'. These consist of eight one-day workshops delivered nationwide to approximately 60 Iwi Māori Social Services providers.

Next on the drawing board is scoping for an Indigenous Professional Body, a project Teresa says will investigate the possibilities of forming

and developing a professional body that will support individuals working in community assisting services like counselling, social services, budgeting and other general support organisations.

Following this, is the soon to be completed Pakeke Project that recognises the valued contribution of mature participants that have long worked in the area of social services, undergone further study and acquired industry required qualifications.

By November, Te Kahui Atawhai will have completed the second stage of establishing a Research and Development Unit that has a primary focus on the social sector from a Māori perspective. In October, the hosting of the Te Kahui Atawhai AGM and conference will include a range of speakers who will address child protection with Māori models of best practice and indigenous trends globally on social issues.

