

Position Description - Tihei Tākitimu Partnership Board

Position Title:	Board Member
Location:	Hastings
Accountable to:	Iwi and Māori communities within the Tihei Tākitimu Partnership Board regional coverage area.

Background

On the 23 September 2021 the Minister of Health announced the membership of the interim Māori Health Authority and Health New Zealand as part of the Labour government's health sector reform agenda.

The Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) Bill sets the context for a system that works for everyone, no matter who they are or where they live. The Bill will enable the two entities to become permanent once the reformed health system comes into effect on 1 July 2022.

The Bill also recognises the important role of Iwi-Māori Partnership Boards and Māori exercising tino rangatiratanga and mana motuhake when it comes to planning and decision-making for health services at a local level.

"The Māori Health Authority and Iwi Māori Partnership Boards represent a new way of working to shape the future health system. Our collective challenge is to influence the new system in a way that sustains change, achieves equity of outcomes, and elevates the voice of whānau to be direction-setters not just service users". Sharon Shea, Co-Chair of the interim Māori Health Authority Board.

Tihei Tākitimu Partnership Board - Geographical Boundary

The geographical boundary for the Tihei Tākitimu Partnership Board covers areas within the tribal boundaries of Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Pāhauwera Rongomaiwahine, Ngāti Rakaipaaka and Ngāti Hineuru.

View here a map of the area covered by Tihei Tākitimu

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/edit?mid=1M1Usl4GhQMSjg01r7cxZrSFZDyAxHpCO&usp=sharing>

The core function of Tihei Takitimu Partnership Board is to work at a strategic commissioning level to influence priorities, outcomes, and allocation of the overall locality budget into priority areas.

The Tihei Tākitimu Partnership Board will be made up of five to seven members who whakapapa to iwi within the Hawkes Bay region and relevant treaty settlement Areas of Interest, have skills and experience which align with the competencies that are listed and are committed to ensuring the best healthcare services for Māori in their region.

Also in line with the requirements of the Pae Ora Bill the board will include a mātāwaka representative, and that one or more of the elected members have the appropriate Hauora Māori expertise and experience.

Characteristics of the Iwi Māori Partnership Boards

They do not report to the Crown – they are accountable to hapu, iwi and hāpori Māori within their region

The Board will operate predominantly at the locality level of the health system but will also have a role at the regional and national level

The Board will be closely involved in locality commissioning from assessing needs of whānau, identifying priorities and monitoring service provision.

Purpose

The core function of the Tihei Tākitimu Partnership Board is to work at a strategic commissioning level to influence priorities, outcomes, and allocation of the overall locality budget into priority areas. The strategic commissioning role includes:

- engaging with whanau, hapu, iwi and hapori Māori in the Hawkes Bay region and relevant treaty settlement Areas of Interest and sharing the resulting insights and perspectives with the Māori Health Authority, Health NZ and the wider health system
- assessing and evaluating the current state of hauora Māori in the Hawkes Bay region and relevant treaty settlement Areas of Interest and determine priorities for improving hauora Māori
- agreeing on locality priorities and plans with the Māori Health Authority and Health NZ
- embedding mātauranga Māori within locality plans, which then influences regional and national planning
- monitoring the performance of the health system in their locality or localities, including against the locality plan
- reporting on their own activities to whanau, hapū, iwi, hapori Māori, and other relevant partners in the Hawkes Bay region and relevant treaty settlement Areas of Interest.

Board Members are also required to

- Follow the policies and Board resolutions
- Sign an annual conflict of interest disclosure and update it during the year if necessary and disclose potential conflicts before meetings and actual conflicts during meetings
- Maintain confidentiality about issues concerning Board matters

Competencies and Attributes

Connections with and understanding of Te Ao Māori and tikanga Māori
Knowledge and understanding of navigating complex health systems and relationships to set a clear strategy for the best healthcare services in the Hawkes Bay region and relevant treaty settlement Areas of Interest
Experience in community engagement in the Hawkes Bay region and relevant treaty settlement Areas of Interest and is widely known and active in the community
Strong financial and planning experience
Experience and skills in commissioning, design, and delivery of equitable and improved health services for Māori
Demonstrated leadership in forming alliances that support the interests and wellbeing of whanau

Experience in reviewing data, reports on trends to determine priorities for improving hauora Māori
Wider health system experience and knowledge of the new health system
Understands data & digital technology

Time Commitment and Term

Board members will serve a term of 12 months to be eligible for re-appointment for a further term. Initially, there will be up to 18 Board meetings within the first 12 months and will require a time commitment of one day which includes preparing for the meeting and the meeting time. This time commitment will be reviewed after six months.

Remuneration

Board members will be remunerated and the remuneration will be :

Chair meeting fee is \$635.50 and for ½ a day (4 hours or less) it is \$325

Member meeting fees are \$425 and for ½ a day (4 hours or less) \$225

Administrative Support

Tihei Tākitimu board members will be supported by a small administrative support team (including a Board secretariat) to manage the administrative activities of the Board. Funding for these roles will be available after 1 July 2022.