Allied Health Welfare Responding to the Waves

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Background

The Allied Health Welfare Team was created within the Canterbury Hauora Coordination Hub to respond to the Omicron outbreak.

- Within a framework of the 5 C's we responded to Omicron Wave in a Multi-disciplinary way.
- Set up with an equity lens with a focus on complex situations and the unenrolled population

Five C's of Health Social Work

Complexity

Connection

Communication

Coordination



Social workers
work with
COMPLEXITY,
including family
safety issues, child
protection, new
diagnoses, AOD,
mental health and
other factors



Social workers promote
CONNECTION with whanau, utilising both formal and informal supports



communication is a core function of social work who often work when there are difficult dynamics in families or tangata whaior. Also work directly with individuals or whanau needing emotional support.



Social workers
COORDINATE inpatient
and post discharge care
plans, bringing together
multiple components to
meet diverse needs using
strengths based solutions
focused approaches.

CULTURE

Addressing Health Inequities

Equality



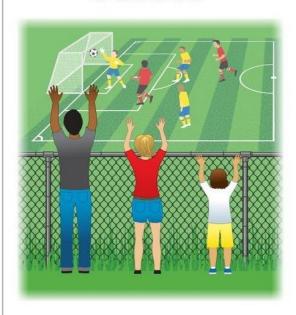
The assumption is that
everyone benefits from
the same supports. This
is equal treatment.

Equity



Everyone gets the supports they need (this is the concept of "affirmative action"), thus producing equity.

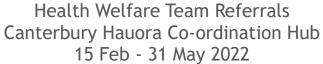
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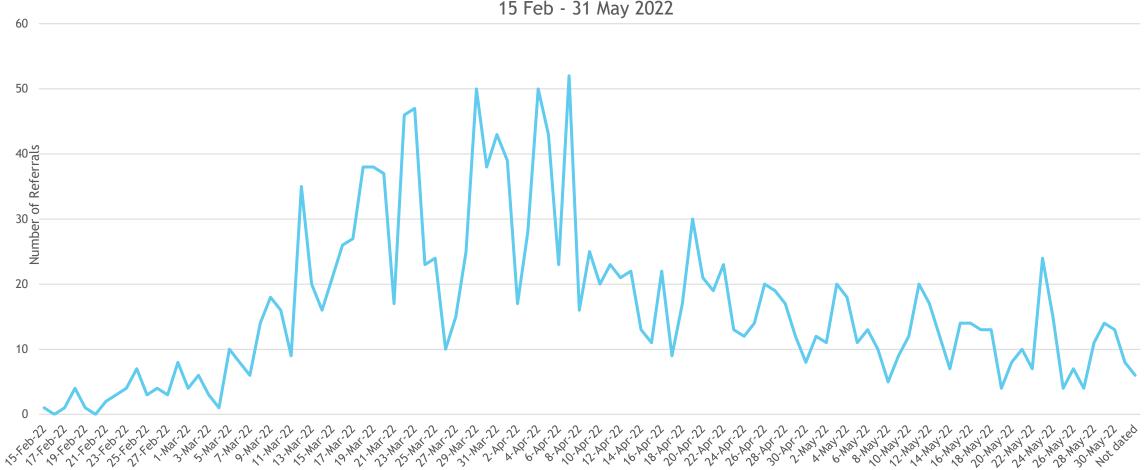


All 3 can see the game
without supports or
accommodations because
the cause(s) of the
inequity was addressed.
The systemic barrier has

been removed.

Outcomes

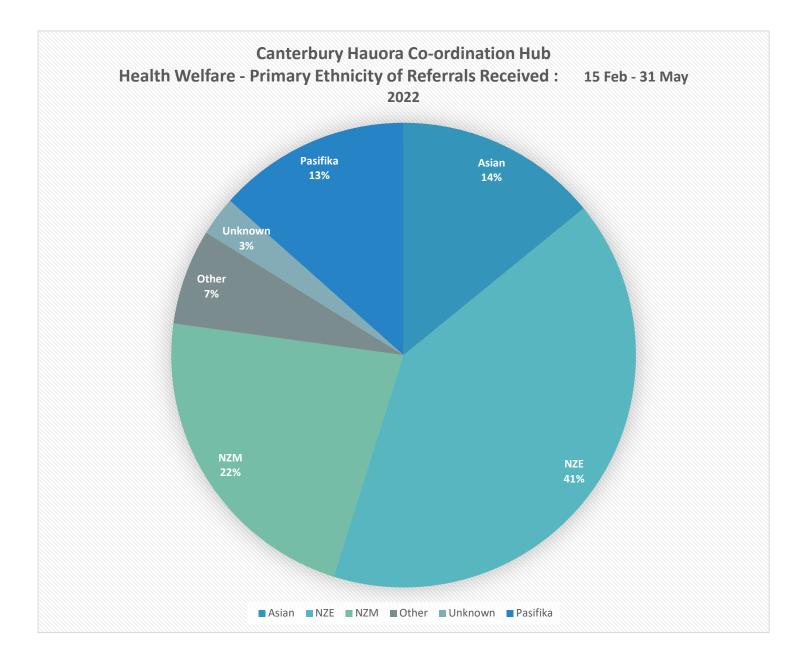




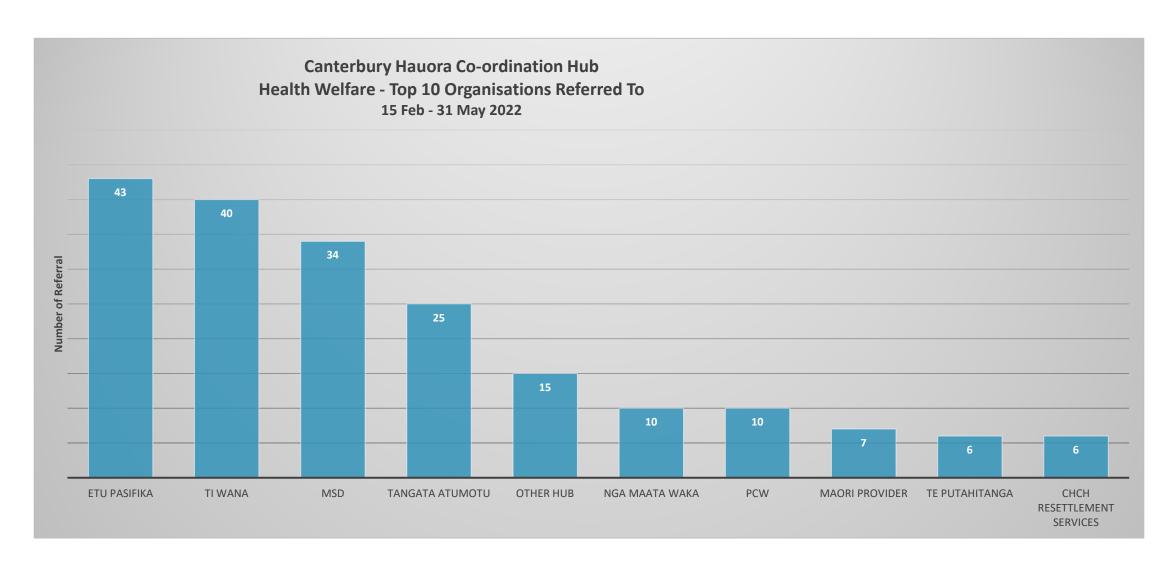
Outcomes

Asian (Indian)	74
Asian (Other)	63
Asian (SE Asian)	52
Asian (Chinese)	15
Asian (Filipino)	7

Pasifika (Samoan)	108
Pasifika (Fijian)	44
Pasifika (Tongan)	36
Pasifika (undefined)	24
Pasifika (Cook Island)	9
Pasifika (Tokelauan)	2



Outcomes



Implementation / Translation to Practice

Mixed workforce

+

Working virtually

=

High output and wide reach

Implementation
/ Translation to
Practice

Meeting Basic needs

+

Emotional/mental health & health support

=

Improvements in wellbeing

Implementation / Translation to Practice

Successful Coordination Requires:

- Relationships
- Co-location
- Collaboration

Next Steps
Allied Health
Supporting
Wider
Systems

Unenrolled Population Health and Welfare Care

Avoiding Admissions

Complex Discharge Support