

Māori disabled and their whānau

Vision for Māori disabled and their whānau

- > To achieve a good quality of life and wellbeing
- > To participate in and contribute to te ao Māori
- > To participate in their communities as other New Zealanders do

Kaupapa

- > Māori disabled will achieve a good quality of life through whānau support and high-quality disability support services

Guiding principles

Enabling Māori disabled

- > Greater personal leadership, choice and control over disability supports accessed
- > Acceptance of Māori diversity and disability experience
- > Respect for Māori cultural values and preferences
- > Māori disabled have roles within their whānau and their communities of choice

Valuing whānau

- > Whānau as the principal source of support for many Māori disabled
- > Whānau assisted to support disabled family members
- > Socioeconomic solutions for Māori disabled

Respecting community

- > Good partnerships with whānau, hapū, iwi, and Māori communities
- > Full Māori participation in planning and delivering disability support services
- > Change the attitudes of whānau, hapū, iwi and communities to support the vision for Māori disabled

Delivering high-quality, effective disability support services

- > Culturally safe and trustworthy disability support services
- > A high strategic priority placed on improving Māori disability outcomes
- > Better Māori knowledge of and access to disability support services
- > Equitable resource allocation for Māori-focused disability support services

Priority actions

Priority 1: Improved outcomes for Māori disabled

- 1.1 Require providers to ensure that personal plans to support Māori disabled are culturally appropriate and specifically identify and address the individual's cultural needs (2012–17)
- 1.2 Provide a range of new and innovative support options for supporting disabled people that offer Māori disabled and their whānau more personalised support arrangements and greater choice and control over the supports they use (2013–14)

Priority 2: Better support for whānau

- 2.1 Improve caregiver training to ensure whānau have access to culturally appropriate training to address the needs of Māori disabled (2013–17)
- 2.2 Develop the New Model for Supporting Disabled People to respond to whānau needs and priorities (2012–13)

Priority 3: Good partnerships with Māori

- 3.1 Improve the quality, reliability and comparability of national information about the demographics of, and disability supports provided to, Māori disabled (2012–17)
- 3.2 Improve the quality of the community engagement process with Māori, particularly with hapū, iwi, and community leaders and groups (2012–17)

Priority 4: Responsive disability services for Māori

- 4.1 Strengthen the cultural competencies of workers in the disability sector through the development and delivery of Māori cultural training (2012–17)
- 4.2 Support the Māori disability workforce to develop leadership skills and career pathways (2012–17)