

INFORMATION SHEET: INTERVIEWS

Strengthening Families Research Project: Interviews with key Oranga Tamariki staff

We are inviting you to participate in an interview

The Oranga Tamariki Evidence Centre is inviting you to participate in an interview about Strengthening Families. We are holding these interviews throughout March 2019.

We are doing this research to better understand how Strengthening Families provides support to tamariki and whānau. The research will inform how Oranga Tamariki delivers early intervention support and services.

We have partnered with Iain Matheson, a researcher from Matheson Associates, to conduct telephone interviews with Local Management Group chairpersons and their Strengthening Families coordinators¹.

Researchers from the Evidence Centre (National Office) will also conduct interviews with a small number of Oranga Tamariki staff. The results from these interviews will be shared with Iain Matheson.

Why are we asking you if you'd like to be interviewed?

You are a National Office staff member or Regional Manager involved in delivering Strengthening Families. Through your professional role, you have important insight into how Strengthening Families operates, and we would like to hear your views.

We are asking for your consent to participate in a confidential interview, where the information we collect will remain anonymous.

Two Evidence Centre researchers will conduct the interviews, which will last about one hour long. We'll contact you to arrange an interview time. However, if you have a time and date preference, please feel free to contact us (details over page).

How will we conduct our research and interview with you?

- Your participation is voluntary and there are no consequences for declining.
- You do not have to answer any specific questions.
- You may stop the interview at any time, and you do not need to explain why.
- The findings will be used to write a report that Oranga Tamariki will use in its decision-making. The final report will be published on the Oranga Tamariki website.
- The interviews will be voice recorded with your consent. You may ask for the voice recorder to be paused at any stage or stopped completely.
- We may use quotes from the recordings but we will not identify you.
- The voice recordings will be transcribed to paper and then deleted. All personal details will be removed from the transcripts. Voice recordings are used for accuracy only.

¹More information on Iain Matheson and Matheson Associates is available here: <http://www.mathesonassociates.co.nz> .

Our contact details

Please talk to us if you have any concerns before or after the interview. We will keep everything you say private. We have provided a list of contacts and their roles below.

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