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# **Information Sheet for Disability Strategy Hui**

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# Information sheet for Disability Strategy hui

**Oranga Tamariki is developing a disability strategy, we want to hear from you**

We want to hear from tangata whaikaha (disabled people) who have lived experience of care and protection and/or youth justice services, including disabled parents. We also want to hear from the people who love and support them.

One of our most important goals is to make services better for all disabled people we work with—that includes disabled tamariki, rangatahi, parents, caregivers and their whānau.

Oranga Tamariki needs a clear vision describing the ideal future for disabled people we support and work with. We also need a strategy, or roadmap, to show us how to get there.

We have asked you to be part of developing the strategy. That could include being part of a hui (workshop), one-on-one interview, or providing feedback in writing, as a video or audio recording, or in another way that works for you.

You can decide whether you want to take part or not. This information sheet will help you make this choice.

# Working on the disability strategy

A project team from Oranga Tamariki is leading the work to develop a disability strategy.

We want to hear from a range of people, including you, and work to develop a vision for the strategy together.

We are working with other organisations that support disabled people too.

We want to make sure that the best people are talking to you. Sometimes kaimahi (staff members) from Oranga Tamariki will lead the hui, and other times kaimahi from other organisations (such as VOYCE—Whakarongo Mai) will lead. The kaimahi leading the hui will introduce themselves to you, including why they are there.

You can see all the options for participating on [our website](#).

## Discussion at the hui

Hui will be hosted online or in-person. Each hui will be about two hours long.

The hui will be a mix of introductions, questions, kōrero (talking) and other spoken word discussions. The group might review some information that is written down—for example, on a slideshow. Written information will not be shared on a screen. Instead, it will be provided in advance in a format that is accessible to you, i.e., screen reader compatible documents, easy read, large print, audio, Braille formats and NZSL videos.

If you want to share your thoughts but do not want to attend an online or in-person hui, visit our website for more information about submitting a written, video or audio response.

We will be conducting our interviews, hui, and other ways of responding with accessibility considerations at the centre.

You can contact the disability strategy project team to talk about your communication and disability needs by emailing [disability.strategy@ot.govt.nz](mailto:disability.strategy@ot.govt.nz). This could include ensuring NZSL interpreters are available or that information is provided to you in an alternative format such as easy read or large print.

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At the first hui, the disability strategy project team will ask you about:

- Your experience with Oranga Tamariki
- What you want the future to look like for disabled people

After the first hui we will ask if you want to attend future hui to keep building on the strategy. In future hui we will ask about ideas you have about changes to make the experience better.

# **Recording and storing notes**

## **Hui**

Some things you say will be written down during the hui so we can remember your ideas and suggestions for later. Your name will not be kept with this information though, so no-one will know who said what.

Notes from the hui will be stored in a password-protected document in a folder on a secure server. This folder can only be accessed by the project team.

Due to the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in State Care, there are rules for Oranga Tamariki about keeping records. We must keep all our notes from the hui until Archives NZ says the rules about record keeping have ended. We will dispose of the information we collect from hui when we are able to.

## **Interviews and other ways of responding**

Some things you say during the interview will be written down so we can remember the ideas and suggestions for later.

If you say it's ok, we will record the interview so we can listen to the audio recording later and take notes. Saying no to a recording does not mean you cannot fully participate.

The recording and notes from the discussion will be stored in a password-protected document in a folder on a secure server. This folder will only be accessible to the project

team. When we use what you say in the recording, it will not be attributed to your name.

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## **Using information from the hui**

We will only use your ideas and suggestions to develop a disability strategy, and to help Oranga Tamariki become an inclusive accessible organisation.

The information you share with us will help Oranga Tamariki develop a vision (what the future should look like), and a strategy (a roadmap to help us achieve that future).

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The thoughts and ideas you share will be grouped together with information from other participants. The project team and other people—such as the disabled people in the Oranga Tamariki Disability Advisory Group—will use this information to draft a vision and strategy.

## **Keeping information private**

Your name will not be linked to anything you share with us.

We might use group-based information to tell people about how we create the strategy. For example, sharing how many disabled people we spoke to, how many parents etc.

We will not purposely collect information that could identify you. If you share information that could readily be linked to you, we will not share it with anyone.

If you attend a hui with other participants, please remember they will know your name and what you share during the workshop. At the start of each hui, we will ask everyone to be mindful about sharing names and personal stories about other people outside of the hui.

## **Deciding whether to take part**

You do not have to take part in the disability strategy mahi (work) if you do not want to.

Your decision will not affect any interactions you have with Oranga Tamariki or other organisations Oranga Tamariki works with.

You can change your mind about taking part at any time, and you do not have to tell us why.

If you don't want to be part of the hui at any point, you can leave or ask the people running the hui for a break.

You can also decide which part of the hui you want to take part in. You can choose which question(s) you want to talk



about, and you can choose not to answer the question(s) if you do not want to.

### **Keeping your information safe if you no longer want to participate:**

Some things you say will be written down so we can remember your ideas and suggestions for later. Your name will not be kept with this information, so no-one will know who said each comment.

This means we won't know which ideas and suggestions are yours. If you change your mind about taking part, we may not be able to remove all the information you shared.

## **Questions**

If you have any questions before or after the interview, you can contact the disability strategy project team from Oranga Tamariki via [disability.strategy@ot.govt.nz](mailto:disability.strategy@ot.govt.nz)