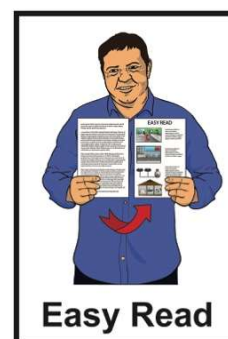




**ORANGA
TAMARIKI**
Ministry for Children



Disability strategy hui / meetings and interviews



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About this document



This document is from **Oranga Tamariki – Ministry for Children**.



Oranga Tamariki – Ministry for Children is the part of the Government that works to make things better for children.



Oranga Tamariki has been finding out about supporting **oranga** for **tāngata whaikaha**.



Oranga is about living well.



In this document **tāngata whaikaha** means disabled people.



Oranga Tamariki have been listening to what tāngata whaikaha / disabled people have to say about the:

- **care system**
- **youth justice system.**



The **care system** is how children who cannot live with their parents are looked after.



The **youth justice system** deals with young people who have broken the law.



Oranga Tamariki has also been finding out things by:

- listening to other people who work with children
- looking at things written in the past 10 years about these systems.



This document is about having hui / meetings to talk to more people.

The disability strategy



A team from Oranga Tamariki is working on making a disability **strategy**.



A **strategy** is like a plan for making things better.



Oranga Tamariki want to hear from tāngata whaikaha / disabled people who have experience of:

- care and protection
- youth justice services.



Care and protection is when Oranga Tamariki work to keep children and young people safe.

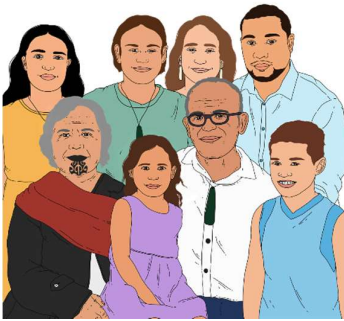


Youth Justice Services are when we work with young people who have broken the law.



Oranga Tamariki also want to hear from:

- disabled parents
- people who care for these tāngata whaikaha / disabled people.



Oranga Tamariki want people from all these groups to be a part of making this disability strategy.

You can take part in different ways like:



- being part of a hui / meeting
- having an interview which is just you talking to 1 person
- telling us what you think in writing
- making an audio / sound or video recording.



It is your choice if you take part in the hui / meeting or interviews.



The information in this document is to help you decide.

Talking at the hui / meeting



Hui / meeting may be:

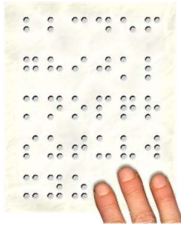
- online like on Zoom
- in person.



Each hui / meeting will be about 2 hours long.



The people at the hui / meeting may talk about some information that is written down.



This information will be given to you before the hui / meeting in the way that works best for you like:

- Easy Read
- Braille
- Audio.

If do not want to be part of a hui / meeting you can tell us what you think by:

- writing something down
- recording audio or video of you speaking.



You can find more information on how to send Oranga Tamariki what you think at:

www.orangatamariki.govt.nz/consultations/supporting-oranga-for-disabled-people



You can **email** Oranga Tamariki to talk about your communication or access needs at:

disability.strategy@ot.govt.nz



Communication or access needs can be things like:

- making sure New Zealand Sign Language (NZSL) interpreters are available
- asking for information in Easy Read.





At the first hui / meeting Oranga
Tamariki will ask you about:

- your experience with Oranga
Tamariki
- what you want the future to be
like for tāngata whaikaha /
disabled people.



At the first hui / meeting Oranga
Tamariki will ask if you want to come
to more hui to keep working on the
disability strategy.

Using information from the hui / meeting



Oranga Tamariki will only use your ideas to:

- make a disability strategy
- work on making Oranga Tamariki better for everyone.



The information you share with us will be used in making:

- what the future should look like
- a strategy which is like a plan for how to make the changes happen.

Keeping information private



Oranga Tamariki will write down things you said at:

- hui / meeting
- interviews.



Oranga Tamariki will also record what you say at interviews if you say it is okay.



It is okay to say no to recording.

Oranga Tamariki will keep all this information safe.

Oranga Tamariki:



- will not put your name on anything you share with them at a hui / meeting
- might share information about groups of people like:
 - how many tāngata whaikaha / disabled people we spoke to
 - how many parents we spoke to
- will try not to collect information that people could use to find out who you are.



If you share information that people could easily tell is about you Oranga Tamariki will not share it with anyone.



Remember that other people at the hui / meeting will know:

- your name
- what you say at the hui / meeting.



At the start of the hui / meeting we will ask everyone to be careful about not sharing things about other people outside of the hui.

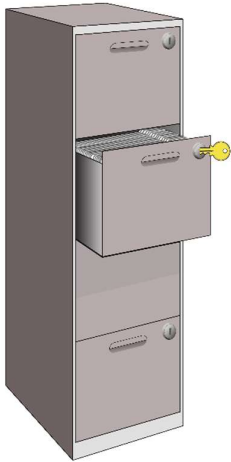
If you decide to stop being part of this work Oranga Tamariki may not be able to remove everything you said from our records.



This is because Oranga Tamariki do not always write down the name of who said what.



There are rules to follow about keeping information.



These rules say Oranga Tamariki have to keep all our:

- notes from hui / meetings
- notes from interviews
- recordings from interviews.



Oranga Tamariki have to keep these until **Archives New Zealand** says it is okay to delete them.



Archives New Zealand is part of the government that looks after keeping information safe.



Oranga Tamariki will remove all this information once Archives New Zealand says it is okay.

Deciding if you take part



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



What you decide will not change things if you have contact with Oranga Tamariki about something else.



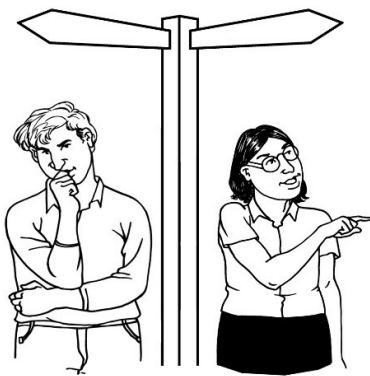
You can change your mind about taking part at any time.

You do not have to tell us why you changed your mind.



If you do not want to be part of the hui / meeting at any time you can:

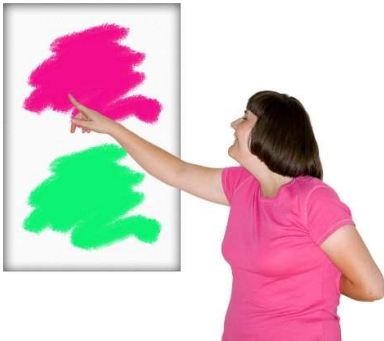
- leave
- ask for a break.



You can also decide which part of the hui / meeting you want to take part in.

You can choose:

- which questions you want to talk about
- not to answer some questions.



More information



If you have any questions you can contact Oranga Tamariki by:

- **email:**

disability.strategy@ot.govt.nz



- **phone:**

0508 326 459



You can also find more information on Oranga Tamariki **website**:

www.orangatamariki.govt.nz/consultations/supporting-oranga-for-disabled-people



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