

Nga Ngaru has an extremely comprehensive up to date website full of information from everything to upcoming hui/conferences and events calendar to media releases and training/course opportunities. Some of the other information contained within our website are:

[The Resource Centre](#) is the busiest part of the website with a variety of Downloads available in our Download Library from Registration forms to newly released Health information even Job vacancies.

[The Discussion Forum](#) gives visitors the opportunity to "Have their say" and contribute to the "Topic of the Month" in relation to health issues both nationally & internationally

[Community Health](#) highlights any current initiatives Nga Ngaru are involved with or any community Hauora Maori projects.

[Learning Resources](#) is another popular section of the website as this shows all upcoming workshops, available courses and course details as well as information on the latest grants & scholarships available.

To contribute relevant information onto the Nga Ngaru website email us on ngangaru@slgroup.co.nz.

PANUI

Nga Ngaru also produces a quarterly panui/ newsletter with the latest updates relevant to Maori health. They are distributed both digitally through email and posted.

If you would like to contribute or receive our panui please email and let us know.



Whakaaro to the Logo

Ko Papatuanuku – Green

Combining mother earth with Tane of the forest. The left koru represents life – Te Ira Tangata. The right koru represents the maunga teitei – the lofty mountain and the challenge to reach the top. The pinnacle of achievement.

Ko Tangaroa – Blue

The water element necessary for one's very survival. The two koru represent Nga Ngaru Hauora O Aotearoa the name given to the organisation.

Nga Ngaru – Ko te Mauri o nga waitai o Tangaroa

The life force, life essence of the ocean waters. It is a relentless and sometimes an awesome energy crated from within, soothing and calming one moment, wild and angry the next.

The late Niko Tangaroa kaumatua of Nga Ngaru Hauora O Aotearoa who with many others visioned this association. Niko bestowed the name and the whakaaro of the logo.

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**Nga Ngaru Hauora
O Aotearoa**

**National Māori Health
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*Te Huarahi Tika
O Te Tino Rangatiratanga
Mai I Te Whakawhanaungatanga,
Kokiritia Me Te Kotahitanga*

The pathway of self-determination is through us all coming together and spearheading the thrust as one.



Background



From Putiki Marae in 1997 to the AGM in Rotorua in 1998, Nga Ngaru Hauora O Aotearoa was established.

The journey “to advance Maori aspirations of whanau, hapu, Iwi/Pan Tribal providers and to be a network of information to Hauora Maori” began.

Kaupapa

Nga Ngaru Hauora O Aotearoa vision is to contribute to the improvement of Maori Health & Well Being through the development of:

- Workforce Development strategies/opportunities
- Research &
- Policy Development

Consistent with the values, practices and institutions of Tangata Maori, Hapu and Iwi.

These three key areas are driven by the notion of Raukotahi, nga tikanga o Te Ao Maori and the improvement of the position of Maori Locally, Nationally & Internationally independent of traditional crown processes.



Workforce development

Nga Ngaru aims to provide Maori Health Workforce Development Strategies that:

- Are appropriate to the needs of Maori Health providers and ensure measurable health gains for Maori locally, nationally & Internationally.
- Are informed by & contribute to International Indigenous Workforce Development strategy and ensure collaboration between NN & other national Health organisations.
- Reflect the outcomes of Kaupapa Maori Health research.

Policy development

Nga Ngaru aims to develop policy in the interest of Maori Health gain as well as:

- Being independent from Crown policy development frameworks and influences through advocacy, the approval process for regional and national policy implementation.
- Develops policy that is consistent with and contributes to International Indigenous Workforce Development Strategy.

Research

Nga Ngaru utilizes a research approach consistent with the principles of Kaupapa Maori research with the aims of:

- Contributing to Maori health gain, regionally, nationally, internationally
- Accessing from and contributing to International Indigenous Research forums
- Is a preferred supplier of Maori Health research.

OHO AKE

Oho Ake Whanau Ora is a workforce development project that has been advanced through an alliance between Nga Ngaru Hauora O Aotearoa & Te Kaunihera O Nga Neehi Maori or (National Council of Maori Nurses). A Bachelor of Health Sciences Maori (Nursing) curriculum has been written and the core subject are: Nursing Knowledge, Research, Ethics and Practices, Te Reo me ona Tikanga.

This is an exciting opportunity to encourage more Maori to enter our industry. Te Whare Wananga O Awanuiarangi in Whakatane will deliver the curriculum.

Te Kaunihera and Nga Ngaru will be active in promoting this course to prospective student nurses, whanau, hapu & iwi & includes finding placement for these taura with Hauora Maori providers, PHO's and other appropriate organisations. The Iwi Engagement Team that is currently presenting this project to Hauora Maori, Iwi & hapu and all others across Aotearoa have a key role here.

If your organisation is interested in:

- *A presentation*
- *In providing practicum for taura or*
- *Have names of potential students*

