



PROFESSION SPECIFIC SKILLS – MAORI MENTAL HEALTH WORKER

Purpose

To promote a Maori viewpoint for Tangata Whaiora Maori through Tikanga Maori concepts being applied to all assessment and treatment related activities

Specific Skills

- Liaising and networking to Iwi, Hapu, Whanau, and community agencies.
- Knowledge and understanding of Tikanga Maori
- Knowledge and understanding of Te Reo
- Knowledge and understanding of the four cornerstones of Maori Health

Specific Assessments

- Undertake generic mental health assessments for Tangata Whaiora, as appropriate to specific services.
- Undertake cultural assessments for Tangata Whaiora.

Specific Treatments

- Ensure appropriate cultural considerations are made to individual care plans.
- Implement culturally appropriate treatments through whanaungatanga.
- Ensure Tangata Whaiora will receive appropriate follow-up on discharge/ transfer through whanaungatanga with whanau, hapu and iwi.

Specific Responsibility

- Meet with new Tangata Whaiora referred to the Service, in an appropriate environment, to encourage ease of access.
- Liaise with others to promote a better understanding of treatment for Maori.
- The initiation and promotion of Tikanga Maori to staff/ team members.
- Regularly present Tangata Whaiora caseload for review.
- Clinically accountable for the practice of Maori health and for mental health practise to Clinical Director/Regional Coordinator
- Accountability to Kaumatua.