

Trustee Profile: Kerri Nuku

Ngāti Kahungungu, Ngā Tai

I currently live in Omahu Hastings with my husband Shayne and our six children and one mokopuna. I have a health sector background and I have worked in a range of roles as a frontline registered nurse and midwife and in managerial positions providing leadership and advocacy to influencing Māori health outcomes and service delivery.

I am the owner of a Māori nursing agency working with providers across the motu, to support the nursing workforce providing both clinical and non clinical services. Our services range development of research, project management services to training and professional development.

I am also the Kaiwhakahaere for the largest nursing organisation, The New Zealand Nurses Organisation (NZNO) which is the leading professional and industrial organisation for nurses in Aotearoa New Zealand, representing over 46 000 nurses, midwives, students, kaimahi hauora and health workers on a range of employment-related and professional issues. Te Runanga o Aotearoa comprising our Māori membership is the arm through which our Te Tiriti o Waitangi partnership is articulated and seeks to improve the health status of all peoples of Aotearoa through participation in health and social policy development.

I have an extensive knowledge of the health sector and have been an invited guest speaker both nationally and internationally including as part of the New Zealand Government Delegation that attended the World Health Assembly in Geneva, Switzerland.

I have been a Komiti member of Maungaharuru - Tangitū Incorporation for the past six years and have been humbled by the learning experience and the significance of ensuring our Taonga tuku iho (treasures from our ancestors) are protected. I have a strong belief in accountability, transparency and the sustainability of hapū for generations to come.

SPECIFIC SKILLS

Governance Knowledge - extensive experience in private and not for profit governance leadership with demonstrated efficiencies and innovation. Experienced in applying Te Tiriti o Waitangi principles in to organisational systems and processes and evaluating the implementation. Established strategic planning skills with the ability to influence develop and translate policies for service implementation across the organisation and between organisations. Lateral thinker with ability to design, implement and manage systems/programmes that enhance shared governance across small and large teams and between sectors.

Quality and Auditing - extensive experience in understanding, developing and auditing quality systems, including cultural responsiveness frameworks. Flexible and adaptable, but very focused on achieving desired, quality outcomes. Contributed to the development of Telarc integrated Māori auditing tools used to monitor and audit services that impact on Māori.

Policy Development - extensive experience in policy analysis, development, and implementation. Well-established strategic planning skills with the ability to develop and translate policies for service implementation across intra and interagency situations.

EXPERIENCE

National Cervical Screening Advisory Group Committee, member Ngā Manukura o Āpōpō - Advisory Group member

Maungaharuru-Tangitū Incorporated - Komiti member

Māori Relationship Board, Hawke's Bay District Health Board - Komiti member

E Hine Research Study Otago University - Expert Advisory Group member

Member of the Māori Women's Welfare League