

Tūwharetoa IMPB Data & Digital Project Update

Background

As captured in the Pae Ora (Iwi-Māori Partnership Boards) Order 2022, a fundamental aspect of Pae Ora is that all health entities are to actively seek input from Māori to ascertain their specific requirements. Te Aka Whai Ora recognises the IMPBs have their own aspirations for the data and information they need, how they want to store, analyse, and interpret it, and who they want to share it with. Actively seeking the requirements for data and information and digital support from the IMPBs, and being responsive to these requirements, is a critical step for Te Aka Whai Ora to provide the right support to achieve the intent of Pae Ora.

The DDKS team at Te Aka Whai Ora through PWC, recently had the first requirements gathering korero with the Tūwharetoa IMPB. In this, three areas of support were identified: Data, Digital, and Capability building. These represent the full spectrum of services the DDKS could currently provide, therefore this korero will serve as a robust example for other IMPBs to practically demonstrate what is possible.

The purpose of this document is to capture the summary support requirements from the Tūwharetoa IMPB within these three areas. This will serve as an input into a scope of services between the Tūwharetoa IMPB and the Te Aka Whai Ora DDKS team. A detailed requirements document is available alongside this summary document.

Data

The data readily available to the health sector broadly lies within three categories, these are, Health priorities, workforce and services commissioned. Tūwharetoa has indicated that they want information under each category for the following reasons.

Digital

A legislative requirement of both Te Aka Whai Ora and Te Whatu Ora is providing sufficient and timely information. Being able to provide sufficient data requires the right output which could range from reports through to dashboards all the way through to an IT environment.



Health

The legislative requirement of IMPBs is to provide input to the health system particularly through setting local priorities. While Tūwharetoa have mechanisms in place for capturing what matters to whānau, combining their whānau voice analysis with the right quantitative data will add robustness to their decision making.

Workforce

Tūwharetoa has information to suggest that their people want to be served by Māori health practitioners and it's a personal aspiration of this IMPB to increase this percentage over time to an 80/20 percent split between Māori and non-Māori.

Services Commissioned

Each IMPB will play a role in commissioning and setting local plans. Tūwharetoa see contributing to commissioning decisions as one of their core roles and levers to influence the system on behalf of Māori in their rohe. The IMPBs will require commissioning data and information to ensure the right activities are prioritised at the right time.















Reports

For every dataset, Tūwharetoa will need a corresponding report that offers concise, high-level summary of the information, including metadata, to support interpretation.

Additionally, technical documentation should be provided to assist them in effectively examining and interpreting the data. These can be provided in simple PDF reports.

Dashboards

Tūwharetoa has expressed the need for independent interaction with the data, beyond the summary and analysis provided by Te Aka Whai Ora. Consequently, they have requested the development of interactive dashboards to facilitate this requirement. These can be delivered safely to Tūwharetoa with simple methods that do not require a full IT environment.

IT Environment

An IT environment is not an immediate priority of Tūwharetoa on the basis that immediate access to data and information is their primary requirement. While they see the benefit and indicated that this would be a valuable asset in future, they do not wish to be delayed in their ability to make data-informed recommendations to the Health System while an environment is established.











Capability

Building the IMPB's capability is a component of providing administrative and analytical support as obligated under Pae Ora. We discussed two elements of how this support may present.

Capability building

Tūwharetoa indicated a desire to grow and nurture their own data and digital capability and are interested in exploring how Te Aka Whai Ora might support this now, and expect this to reduce over time.

Policies & Processes

Tūwharetoa also acknowledged the significance of formulating sound policies and procedures for the efficient handling and safeguarding of data. This is not however an urgent requirement.



