
Kim Ngawhika: Profile summary

Iwi affiliations: Te Arawa, Kai Tahu, Kati Mamaoe

Kim has been employed by the Whakatū Marae Committee Inc. since 2007 beginning with a focus in health, assisting whānau to become smokefree, is the service director of the Whare Tiaki (Youth Justice bail home) and is the incumbent Poutohuwakahaere (CE) since 2017. Her prior roles have included relief teaching in Nelson; establishing and owning the Waiheke Montessori Centre; a year in Sweden with St Georges Montessori School, Gotebörg and clerical worker with the Department of Social Welfare Nelson.

Kim has also done contracting work with Ministry of Social Development, Oranga Tamariki, Ministry of Health, Te Puni Kōkiri, Te Putahitahitanga, Nelson Bays Primary Health and the Nelson Bays District Health Board.

Kim's current governance includes trustee/deputy chair of Nelson Bays Primary Health since 2017 where she also chairs Te Tumu (Māori advisory group supporting this PHO) and is chair of the Audit and Risk Committee. She was formerly a parent representative, chair/deputy chair at Nelson College for Girls for four years to 2018.

Kim's professional development includes Doctor of Professional Practice, Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi (2022); Te Reo Certificate Levels 4 & 5, Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology (2017-2018); Master of Management (Health Service Management) Massey University (2016); Poupou Karanga, Te Wānanga o Raukawa, Otaki (2013); Bachelor of Education, Massey University (2006); Montessori, St Nicolas Montessori Centre, London (1997).