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KAUPAPA HAUORA MAORI:
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Abstract

There is a requirement for all services within the New Zealand health system to be accredited with an established quality organisation and to demonstrate an ability to provide a measurable quality service to consumers. For Māori these requirements must make sense in Māori terms.

This thesis is based on the view that, for Māori, the concept of health is more effectively expressed as hauora - optimal health and wellbeing for Māori.

This thesis makes five contributions to Māori health and Māori health research. First, it identifies a responsive approach to engaging kaumātua effectively in the process of qualitative research. Second, it identifies a fundamental underlying conceptual framework – kaupapa hauora Māori as a means of understanding hauora – expressed in terms derived from kaumātua in Taranaki and Kahungunu. Third, it adapts this conceptual framework into an analytical research framework and then applies it to allow kaupapa hauora Māori (described in terms of worldview, values and ethics) to be identified from a range of data. Fourth, it critically analyses popular models of Māori health – Te Whare Tapa Whā, Te Wheke and Ngā Pou Mana. Finally, it proposes and details post-doctoral research that will translate kaupapa hauora Māori into a quality services framework/tool.

“Kaupapa Hauora Māori” is a conceptual framework articulated by kaumātua, and has its origins in te ao Māori, from which the aronga or worldview is developed. The aronga is composed of the kaupapa or values and tikanga or ethics that provide kaumātua with the values base of hauora. These components have been identified by kaumātua and not only inform the concept of KHM but also inform the analytical research framework that is applied to the data. The values have been identified as a core set of values comprising whakapapa, wairua, whenua, whānau, tikanga te reo Māori, tinana, and hinengaro, and the associated tikanga is expressed as behaviour or ethics. These, together, influence the perception and understanding individuals have of their world and of hauora.

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Glossary of Abbreviations Used

ACC: Accident Compensation Corporation

AHB: Area Health Board

BA: Bachelor of Arts

BA Hons Psych: Bachelor of Arts Honours Psychology

BBA: Bachelor of Business Administration

BN: Bachelor of Nursing

Bx: Breast Cancer

CHW: Child Health Worker

COPD: Congestive Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

CORD: Congestive Obstructive Respiratory Disease

Cx: Cervical Cancer

DHB: District Health Board

Dip: Diploma

DNS: District Nursing Service

GP: General Practitioner

Grad Dip M Health: Graduate Diploma Mental Health

HCA: Healthcare Aotearoa

HV Cert: Home Visit Certificate

KKI: Key Kaumātua Informants

MAPO: Māori Purchasing Organisation

MBA: Master Business Administration

MDO: Māori Development Organisations

MICO: Māori Integrated Care Organisations

MHC: Māori Health Contracts

MOH: Ministry of Health

MUHEC: Massey University Human Ethics Committee

MWWL: Māori Women's Welfare League

NASC: Needs Assessment and Service Co-ordination

NMO: Native Medical Officer

NSO: Native Sanitation Officer

NZQA: New Zealand Quality Accreditation

PGDipN: Post Graduate Diploma Nurse

PHC: Public Health Commission

PHO: Primary Health Organisation

QHNZ: Quality Health New Zealand

RCpN: Registered Psychopaedic Nurse

RGON: Registered Obstetric Nurse

RHA: Regional Health Authorities

SRN: State Registered Nurse

WCPHO: Wairarapa Community Primary Health Organisation

WHL: Women's Health League

WHO: World Health Organisation

WWII: World War 2

Glossary of Māori Terms Used

aha aha	what can be done
Aotearoa.....	North Island of New Zealand
ahuatanga	circumstances
aroha	to reciprocate
Aukati Kai Paipa	Stop Smoking
awa.....	river
ha a Koro ma a Kui ma	the breath of life that comes from forebears
ha tuku iho.....	cultural heritage
hapū	pregnant,sector of Māori society
hauora	health and wellbeing
He Korowai Oranga.....	The cloak of health
He Mate Huango	asthma
hinengaro	emotional and mental health
hiringa	perseverance
hoki.....	also
huatanga	circumstances
hui	bring together
Hui Whakaoranga.....	meeting to revive health systems
hurihuri	to turn around
tamatua	uncle
iwi	tribe
kai.....	food
kainga.....	home
Kahungunu	Tribal leader, name of an iwi
karakia	invocation used in traditional Maori religion
kaua	do not
kaumātua.....	elder
kaunihera.....	council
kaupapa	values or basic idea, foundation
kaupapa hauora Māori	foundation of health of Māori
kawa	sour
Kete Hauora	basket representing health
koha	gift or donation
Kokoroiti Rewhaunga	Tipuna name

konohi ki te konohi.....	face to face
konei.....	here
korero	talk
koro	old man
kuia.....	old lady
kunenga	search
mai rano	from long ago
mana	tangible and intangible expressions of power
manaaki.....	befriend
mane ake.....	increased influence
mapihi.....	ornament
Māori	indigenous people of Aotearoa
marae	meeting ground
manawa ora.....	healthy heart
matuaranga	education
matua	parent
maunga	mountain
mauri	life force
mimi.....	urine
mirimiri.....	massage
mene	be assembled
mokai.....	slave
muka	flax fibre
mokopuna.....	grandchild
Nga Pou Mana	support posts for health
nga whakaaro whakahirahira	Important thoughts
noa	free from restrictions
ohaoha	economics
pākehā	not Maori
paki paki	clap and slap
Papatuanuku	Earth mother
pepe	baby
pepeha	proverb
pito	umbilical cord
pou tokomanawa	central pillar
putea	fund

rangahau	research
rangatiratanga	empowerment
Ranginui	Sky father
Rapuora	search for health
Ritenga	customs and beliefschants for the sick
rohe	region
rongoa	traditional medicine made from plants,etc
tamariki ora	health of young children
tane	male
tangata whenua	people
taha	side, margin, edge
takahia	trample/ despise
tangaroa	God of the sea
tangata	man, people
taonga	treasure
tapu	protected, special,sacred
Taranaki	Rohe or region
tatai	arrange
te ao Māori	the world of the Māori
te ao turoa	the physical environment
Te Huihuinga Hauora	the MDO within kahungunu
Te Kete Hauora	Maori unit within he MOH
Te Kopi	settlement on the southern coast of the North Island of New Zealand
Te ora mo te iwi	the health of the people
Te Puna o Te Ora	the sacred pools of health
Turangawaewae	the place where a person lives/ affiliates to
Te Wahanga Māori	The MOH Maori strategic planning unit
te wa Māori	in the time of the Māori)
Te Wheke	the octopus
tika	correct
tikanga	custom or rule
tinorangatiratanga	empowerment
tīpuna	ancestor
tirohanga	quality
tohi	purification ceremony
tohunga	priest or learned person

Treaty of Waitangi	Treaty signed between Māori and English in 1840
Tui Ora	the Taranaki MDO
tuku iho	cultural heritage
tupato	cautious
wahine	woman
wanaanga	learning
wai	water
waiata	song
waikino	stagnant water pools
waimāori	running streams
waiora	rainwater
waipuna	hillside springs
wairarapa	glistening waters
wairua	spirituality
waitai	salt water
whaea	mother
whaiora	possessing health
whakapapa	genealogy
whakahirahira	important
whakaaro	think, opinion, feeling
whakapapa	cultural identity
whakarongo	listen
Whānau	family
whānaungatanga	strengthening relationships.
whānau Ora	healthy families
whatumanawa	feelings
whenua	land / placenta