

19 Pipiri 2025

Dr Tearikivao Maoate
Chairman
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By email: 9(2)(a)

CONFIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIALY SENSITIVE

Whānau Ora Outcome Agreement queries

Tēnā koe Dr Maoate,

Yesterday Te Puni Kōkiri received some serious allegations about Pasifika Futures Limited's ("Pasifika Futures") conduct as a Whānau Ora Commissioning Agency. These concerns focus on financial decisions of Pasifika Futures. All Whānau Ora funding is public funding and as such we are taking these allegations very seriously.

The allegations are as follows:

1. Pasifika Futures appears to have contracted services from the related party Moana Pasifika Charitable Trust in fiscal year 21/22 9(2)(b)(i) and 9(2)(ba)(i), 22/23 9(2)(b)(i) and 9(2)(ba)(i), and 23/24 9(2)(b)(i) and 9(2)(ba)(i) and likely in 24/25, though disclosures have not yet been made for the current financial year.
2. Moana Pasifika is cited as an "innovation partner" of Pasifika Futures, and whether there should be concern that a professional rugby team has been receiving Whānau Ora funding, including what benefits such funding would provide to Pasifika families.
3. That 9(2)(b)(i) and 9(2)(ba)(i) Whānau Ora Outcome Agreement funding was apportioned to Pasifika Medical Association / Pasifika Futures management, but that management portion does not appear to have been ring fenced within Pasifika Futures.
4. That in fiscal year 23/24, Pasifika Medical Association group 9(2)(b)(ii) and 9(2)(ba)(ii) which might have been funded to some degree with Whānau Ora money provided to Pasifika Futures, for example, including for management of the Whānau Ora Outcome Agreement.

5. That Moana Pasifika has been a related party of Pasifika Futures, through shared directors, and since mid-2024, as part of the same owned entity as Pasifika Futures, while concurrently receiving Whānau Ora funding through Pasifika Futures.
6. That Whānau Ora funding, through Pasifika Futures, has flowed for at 9(2)(b)(ii) and 9(2)(ba)(ii), and that company being owned and controlled by 9(2)(a), the 9(2)(a) of Pasifika Medical Association 9(2)(a), with 9(2)(a) also being part of the leadership team at Pasifika Medical Association.

I would like to offer you the opportunity to provide an explanation on these matters (including as to how this relates to your performance under your Whānau Ora Outcome Agreement). These matters would normally be addressed to the Chief Executive but due to the specificity of the concerns I thought it more appropriate to write to you.

Given the upcoming expiry of your Whānau Ora Outcome Agreement on 30 June 2025, a response is requested by 2pm on Tuesday 24 June 2025.

We are considering our next steps in managing this serious matter, and so would welcome your timely engagement on the above.

Naku noa, nā



Grace Smit
Deputy Secretary Regions
Te Puni Kōkiri