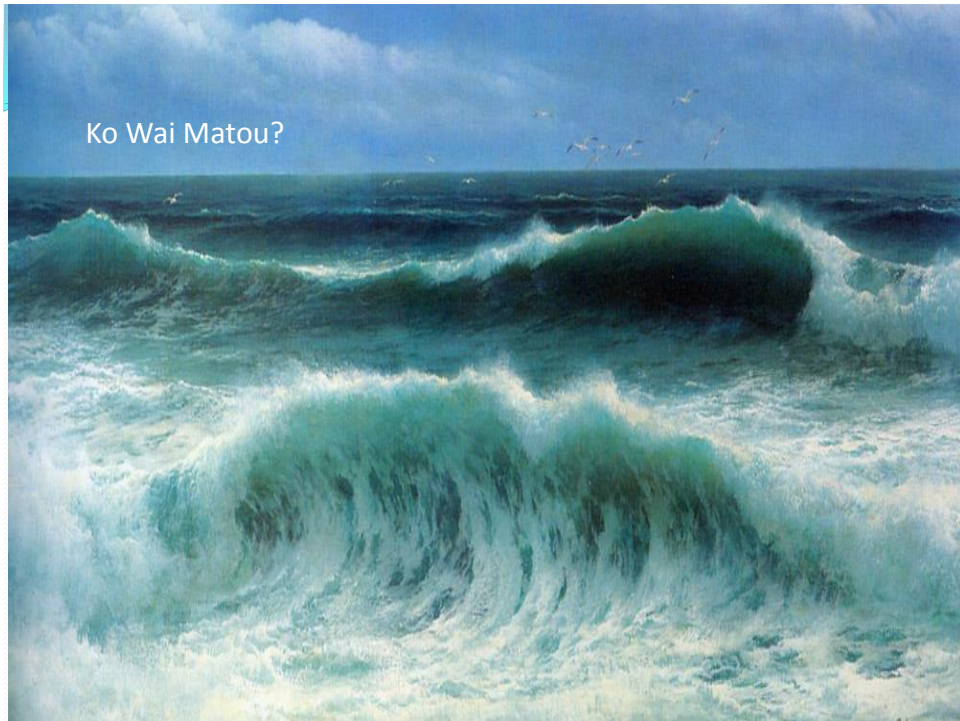
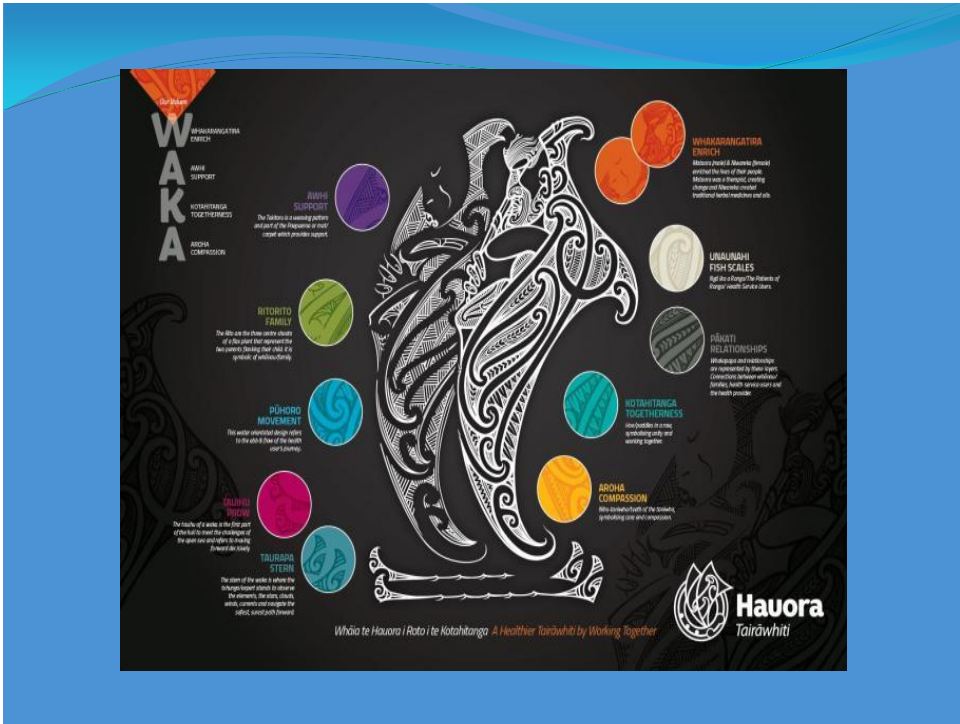


Hauora Tairāwhiti Addictions Service

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WORKING WITH OST WHAIORA IN RURAL SATELLITES

A Tairawhiti Perspective

CASE STUDY: RURAL/COASTAL DISPENSING

Grace is a 32 year old wahine of Maori decent. She resides rurally with her parents and her 10 year old daughter. Currently works casually as a wool handler.

She has been on the Hauora Tairawhiti OST program since 2009 after transferring from the Tauranga Methadone program. Has continued to use cannabis almost daily and occasional use of methamphetamine and benzodiazepines when meeting old associates.

Current dose is 100mgs methadone, oversite at Ngati Porou Hauora at Te Puia hospital around 12kms from her residence. Consuming daily after OD in February and admission to hospital –prior to this MON-WED- FRI consume onsite without problems.

Usually oversited by MH&Addictions staff member from Monday to Friday – and from the Ward at Te Puia Hospital at weekends, Public Holidays, After hours and if RN is unavailable .

One RN refusing to oversite Methadone to Grace creating long delays up to 8 hours and at times increased travel and time cost when she is asked to return at a later time to receive her Methadone

Case Study Discussions

What are the risks and how could we manage these safely?

What are your experiences of working in satellites and / or with rural whaiora?

AGING OST POPULATION

Advanced care planning e.g. Tangihanga Plan, EPOA, Will