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About Te Whakaoreore Aromatawai Hāpai ki te Hapori

Te Whakaoreore Aromatawai Hāpai ki te Hapori – The Community Mobilisation Assessment Tool is all about hapori and better outcomes for communities.

It is a kōrero-based community self-assessment tool that is focused on what is happening in a hapori (community), including:

- assessing current levels of community mobilisation (the readiness and capability of people to mobilise hapori for change)
- building critical consciousness about whānau wellbeing (how well people get along as whānau and how satisfied they are with their lives)
- preventing violence within whānau
- supporting community planning to focus efforts for greater impact
- assessing changes in community mobilisation over time.

Te Whakaoreore involves facilitated kōrero in a wānanga context on topics focused on mobilising whanau, including:

- Leadership in whānau, hapū, iwi and communities
- Connections to Māori culture and identity
- Community knowledge, skills, capability and confidence
- Relationships within and across whānau and the wider community
- Readiness to engage in journeys of change
- Rangatahi-led change
- Resources, services and supports, including Indigenous and Kaupapa Māori practice
- Community action to challenge violence to model wellbeing.

Whakapapa

The mana and foresight of Ann Dysart (founding Pou Whakahaere of E Tū Whānau) are behind the development and publication Te Whakaoreore Aromatawai Hāpai ki te Hapori – The Community Mobilisation Assessment Tool, as well as Te Pikitia a te Whānau, The Whānau Wellbeing Tool.

Whaea Ann knew that understanding how and why change occurs is vital to building an evidence base in Aotearoa around what makes a difference for our people. She also knew that understanding this is not easy – especially in complex community spaces.

Whaea Ann was always confident that E Tū Whānau was making a difference and that we would need to develop bespoke tools to better understand these changes.

She was steadfast in her belief that to be meaningful to Māori, any mahi in this space had to come from our people – from our lives, and experiences – from our own world view.

Te Whakaoreore was developed and refined by Dr Cristy Trewartha (an NZ expert in community mobilisation) with the support and involvement of E Tū Whānau kaimahi and hapori connected to E Tū Whānau, including wāhine and māmā from Te Tai Tokerau, Te Hapori Ora, Raukawa Whānau Ora in Levin, and Kōkiri Marae in Lower Hutt.