



# Cabinet Business Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Kia Manawanui Aotearoa: Long-Term Pathway to Mental Wellbeing

Portfolio                      Health

On 12 July 2021, the Cabinet Business Committee:

- 1        **noted** that in May 2019, Cabinet approved the government response to *He Ara Oranga: Report of the Government Inquiry into Mental Health and Addiction*, and directed the Ministry of Health and other agencies as appropriate to work together to develop the longer term implementation pathway [CAB-19-MIN-0182];
- 2        **noted** that *Kia Manawanui Aotearoa: Long-term pathway for mental wellbeing* (Kia Manawanui), attached under CBC-21-SUB-0063, provides a long-term vision and cross-government actions for transformation of mental wellbeing in Aotearoa over the next ten years;
- 3        **noted** that Kia Manawanui builds on the 2020 Kia Kaha, Kia Māia, Kia Ora Aotearoa: COVID-19 Psychosocial and Mental Wellbeing Plan and is informed by wide stakeholder engagement;
- 4        **noted** that the directions of Kia Manawanui are consistent with the health and disability system reforms with an emphasis on equity, partnering with Māori, greater access to care in the community and early intervention services, person and whānau-centred care, and consistent, high-quality care everywhere;
- 5        **noted** that youth mental health is an area of co-operation under the Cooperation Agreement between the Labour Party and Green Party, and the Green Party supports Kia Manawanui and its vision for mental wellbeing in Aotearoa, but would welcome further work to integrate the pathway into existing and emerging mental health services and Budget 2019 funding with more specificity;
- 6        **agreed** to Kia Manawanui as the long-term pathway for transforming New Zealand's approach to mental wellbeing;
- 7        **agreed** to the public release of Kia Manawanui as soon as practicable following Cabinet agreement;
- 8        **authorised** the Minister of Health to make technical and editorial changes to Kia Manawanui prior to public release;

- 9 **noted** that the Ministry of Health will undertake further collaborative engagement on a National Mental Health and Addiction System and Services Framework as a key action for achieving the vision of Kia Manawanui;
- 10 **noted** that the programme of the Implementation Unit in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet includes an initial priority focus on the roll-out of the \$1.9 billion Budget 2019 mental wellbeing package, which will be undertaken working closely with the Ministry of Health.

Rachel Clarke  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern  
Hon Grant Robertson  
Hon Kelvin Davis  
Hon Dr Megan Woods  
Hon Chris Hipkins  
Hon Carmel Sepuloni  
Hon Andrew Little  
Hon David Parker  
Hon Stuart Nash

**Officials present from:**

Office of the Prime Minister  
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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