



**Tēnā koutou me o tātau tini mate e hingahinga mai nei i runga i o tātau marae maha huri noa i te motu. Kua tangihia rātau, kua mihia rātau. No reira kua ea te wahi ki a rātau – Tihei Mauriora!**

He poroporoaki tēnei ki tērā o ngā putiputi o Ngāti Whātua, Ngā Puhī, me Ngāti Kahu, ki a Marama Parore. Kua tae atu nei te mutunga a tōna mahi i roto i PHARMAC. Nā reira e Marama ngā mihi nui ki a koe mō tōu kaha ki te tutuki pai te kaupapa o Te Whaioranga mai ia Pharmac, ki te ao Māori. Arohanui!

A, kei mihi atu ki a Taone O'Regan he wahine nō Ngāi Tahu, kua urunga ki roto i te turanga Kaiwhakarata Whakakapi Māori, mō tētahi wā poto. Nō reira Taone, naumai, haeremai rā!

Huri noa ki a tātau katoa, e tata ana ki te rā whānau a tō tātau Ariki a te Karaiti. Ngā mihi o te Kirihimete ki a koutou, a, ki a tātau katoa.



Marama Parore leaves PHARMAC after 10 years' service promoting best health and wellbeing for all as manager of the Access and Optimal Use team. Marama started her journey in health and wellbeing as a nurse and came to PHARMAC with many years' enriched by working in health and public service related roles. She saw the disparities in health experienced by Māori and championed PHARMAC's response by forming working relationships with iwi and across the health sector and developing PHARMAC's Māori Responsiveness Strategy. She has been Kaitiaki, her guidance and passion has been appreciated by all at PHARMAC and she will be missed by many. Marama leaves us prepared to continue the work with Te Whaioranga in place.



To support the newly formed Māori Responsiveness team, Taone O'Regan has been appointed as Acting Manager of the Māori Responsiveness Team on a short term contract. Taone will be supporting Angela Cathro and Roy Hoerara with their work until a new manager is recruited.

*Whakapakari ki te hua o te Kawariki  
Haere rā Marama.*

## **Te Whaioranga 2013 – 2023**

Te Whaioranga – PHARMAC's Māori Responsiveness Strategy for the next ten years was developed in consultation with Māori and guided by Te Roopu Āwhina Māori at PHARMAC. The primary goal of Te Whaioranga is to ensure that Māori have access to subsidised medicines and the use of these medicines appropriately and safely. PHARMAC will continue to work with Whānau Ora Collectives, kaupapa Māori health providers, health agencies and iwi to support Māori whānau to achieve the best health and wellbeing outcomes.

In 2014 PHARMAC will continue to deliver He Rongoā Pai, He Oranga Whānau (a programme for the Māori health workforce) and will contribute to programmes that address the priority areas for Māori health identified during Te Whaioranga consultation. For more information read the full strategy - [Te Whaioranga 2013-2023](#)



## **One Heart Many Livestransitions to local health providers, whānau and communities**

PHARMAC has project managed the One Heart Many Lives ([OHML](#)) kaupapa at many events in different regions over the past five years. It is now time for the taonga of this kaupapa to be passed back to whānau, communities and health providers. OHML presence at Iron Māori 2013 was the last time PHARMAC will oversee the free heart check activities at an event.

During the past five years, OHML has attended every Iron Māori event joining forces with local health providers including pharmacists, nurses and doctors to take the *door of health* out to



## Hiwinui Heke PHARMAC scholarships

PHARMAC congratulates the 2013 Hiwinui Heke award recipients and wishes them well as they complete their pharmacy degrees. The Hiwinui Heke award are for Māori students studying pharmacy. For more information and 2014 opportunities, visit [Hiwinui Heke](#)

Hiwinui Heke scholarship winners (left to right): Robert Haua, Jilly Alexander, Susan Wilson, Brendan McIntosh.



## Hospital Medicines List (HML)

Everyone now has access to the same hospital medicines wherever in New Zealand they are being treated. On 1 July 2013 DHB hospitals started prescribing from the same list of medicines when the Hospital Medicines List (HML) was published in the new Section H for Hospital Pharmaceuticals.

Māori and whānau. PHARMAC is proud to have supported whānau and participants at Iron Māori and wishes local iwi and health providers all the best as they lead the kaupapa in 2014.

This year 117 tāne and wāhine sought heart checks, health advice and guidance from the local nurse and pharmacists.

Kai te haere tonu ngā mahi



## He Rongoā Pai, He Oranga Whānau

He Rongoā Pai, He Oranga Whānau is a two day wānanga (one day of online learning followed by one day of in class learning) about the use of medicines, including rongoā Māori for health professionals working alongside Māori whānau. The wānanga is free to health professionals and whānau. For more information visit – [www.hrphow.co.nz](http://www.hrphow.co.nz)

The new list also includes some subsidised medicines that previously patients may have had to pay for once they left hospital.

At the moment the HML includes 16 therapeutic groups and about 2,500 medicines. It is updated monthly.

To take a look at HML visit - [PHARMAC HML](#)

## Decision criteria

The decision criteria ([PHARMAC decision criteria](#)) directly affects the range and number of Pharmaceutical treatments made available for public subsidy, which means the range and number of medicines available to whānau who may need them for managing their health. From June to August 2013, PHARMAC conducted twelve public community forums and smaller group meetings and received 130 e-mail submissions to gain feedback from people about the current criteria being used.

In early 2014 PHARMAC will lead a second round of consultation. This will include discussion on the proposed changes with Whānau Ora collectives.

## PHARMAC Seminar Series

The PHARMAC Seminar Series provides a number of high quality education seminars covering a variety of topics and caters to a range of health professionals. Seminars are a full day and are held in Wellington.

PHARMAC covers the cost of travel to and from seminars (including flights) and accommodation when required.

Participants are charged \$115.00 (GST inclusive) as a contribution towards the cost of running the seminar.

To find out more about the PHARMAC seminar series, visit

[PHARMAC Seminar Series](#)

## Medical devices consultation

In 2012 PHARMAC began to take responsibility for managing the purchase of hospital medical devices to improve national consistency in the treatment of hospital patients.

From October to November 2013 PHARMAC held consultation meetings around the country to help inform the work towards management of hospital medical devices. The consultation sought input from communities and the health sector to help PHARMAC staff work out how to manage hospital medical devices purchasing. PHARMAC is now using the valuable information from the

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consultation process to help shape our  
direction and develop a framework for  
medical devices

Thank you very much to those who  
contributed to this process. For more  
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