



Responding to the moment together.

Atamira | Platform Trust is a member and peak body organisation that fosters strategic partnerships to advocate, lobby and influence government policy to actively contribute to system change.

JULY 2020

Helped secure an average of 2.91% NGO uplift for mental health & addiction DHB funding

Hosted 'The Referendum to Legalise Cannabis - What You Need To Know'

SEPTEMBER 2020

Hosted National political forum on community mental health & addiction

OCTOBER 2020

Briefed Incoming Parliamentarians

NOVEMBER 2020

Cross-party Mental Health, Addiction & Wellbeing group published 'Zero Suicide Aotearoa' report

DECEMBER 2020

Chief Executive Marion Blake left Platform Trust after 20 years

MARCH 2021

Memo Musa began as Chief Executive of Platform Trust

Met with the Minister of Health Hon Andrew Little

He Ara Oranga - Long-term Pathway Development - hosted joint Zoom between Ministry of Health and Members

APRIL 2021

People experiencing mental health & addiction prioritised for COVID-19 vaccine

MAY 2021

Health Reform Zoom #1- Joint Zoom with Members + Transition Unit

JUNE 2021

Nationally consistent uplift of 2.78% for mental health & addiction District Health Board funding Pay Equity Uplift of 3.25% Secured

What Navigate regions do Platform Members operate in?

This map shows the number of members who operate in each Navigate Region. This is not an individual member count. i.e. National providers are counted in each region.

Northern 37 Members

Waitaha 30 Members

Southern 20 Members

Strategic Partnerships

Navigate Groups, Partnership Group, Mental Health & Wellbeing Cross-Party Group, ComVoices

Successfully advocated for agreement to a nationally consistent approach to MHA NGO and community provider CPI uplift to support sustainability.

Influenced and partnered on sixteen project scopes designed to drive change in policy, practice and outcomes in MHA.

Disseminated the 'Zero Suicide Aotearoa' report to over 290 MHA NGO and community providers. This report was commissioned by the Cross-Party Mental Health and Addiction Wellbeing Group to raise awareness of what can be done to reduce the impacts of suicide in NZ. Collaboration and co-ordination across Platform member groups to have a voice in key national forums and influence change in MHA developments and health system reform.

Use information gathered through strategic partnerships, to collectively organise, lobby and initiate action that supports the work of MHA NGO and community providers.

Platform representatives are members on Access & Choice Governance Groups and the Workforce Reference Group, representing member's and the NGO sector's interests.



Fostering Strategic Partnerships



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Sustainability

Contract funding general cost pressure (CPI) Uplift, Pay Equity funding uplift, Policy Library

A sustainable, stable and strong MHA NGO and community sector enabled by an annual nationally consistent uplift of contract funding.

MHA support workers and peer support workers are valued. Improved access to training and support leads to reduced turnover in the MHA NGO and community sector, resulting in better care for New Zealanders.





Communications

Newsletters, member Briefings

Platform's newsletters reached over 290 MHA NGO and community providers. Knowledge of topical sector developments, promotes engagement and decision making.

Facilitated direct engagement between Platform members and the Ministry of Health, to influence the development of the Long-Term Pathway and national system/service framework. This ensures He Ara Oranga remains a key and guiding document within the sector.

The sector is regularly reminded and informed about the importance of the MHA NGO and community sector within health and disability system reform.

Platform members informed and engaged directly with the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (Transition Unit), to inform and influence health system reform, so MHA remains a national priority. The sector has access to information about local, regional and national MHA developments – to create continuity, stability, sustainability and to make informed decisions.

A policy library with over 125 organisational policy and procedures templates to support MHA NGO and community providers. 2043 visits were made to the policy library in the past year.

Shared more than 10 publications, covering MHA developments to inform policy, practice and change.



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COVID-19

COVID Briefings, COVID-19 Response meetings, COVID-19 Vaccine

Supporting the COVID-19 Elimination Strategy by representing the sector in national forums, so provider specific issues are known and addressed.

Highlighted the needs of people experiencing mental distress and addiction alongside the needs of the NGO and community sector during and beyond the lockdown. This led to the inclusion of people experiencing mental distress and addiction in national discussions and COVID-19 operational policies.

MHA NGO and community organisations provided essential services with access to information about personal protective equipment (PPE) and infection prevention and control measures to protect the people they support and the workforce. Advocated successfully for equitable access to PPE for MHA NGO and community providers.

Successfully campaigned for people with MHA to be included in priority groups 2 and 3 in the COVID-19 vaccination programme and the MHA workforce which supports them. Legislative change in May 2021 to the Medicines Regulation 1984 with new regulation 44AB included support workers as COVID-19 vaccinators (under supervision) contributing to the increased vaccinator workforce.





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Data & Information

MHA KPI Group, QLIK Sense

Continuous quality improvement of services across DHBs and their MHA NGO partners through collective data analysis and benchmarking, learning and problem solving to drive better outcomes for all. Prompt access to data and information available within the Ministry of Health's PRIMHD data set for health consumers, resulting in improved planning and decision making.



Health System Reform Election Forum, Cannabis Referendum Debate, HDSR - Transition Unit Q&A, Deaf MHA

A well-informed MHA NGO and community sector, that can make decisions to ensure MHA remains a priority in a wider health & disability reform.

Position the MHA NGO and community sector to have a voice, be engaged, contribute to and influence wider health system reform.

A well-informed MHA NGO and community sector that can influence government policies, legislative change and regulation

of the health and disability system post the general election.

Improve system responsiveness and access for the Deaf community through recognition of specific cultural and language needs of this community. Inclusion of the Deaf community within Ministry of Health MHA policy and MHA sector service planning and delivery.





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Workforce *Kaiāwhina Workforce Action Plan*

Supporting the development of a kaiāwhina workforce (unregulated roles in the health and disability sector) that is valued as being competent, adaptable and a core part of the health and disability sector workforce.

Recognition of the value of developing micro-credentials to offer upskilling and career pathway opportunities to the support worker workforce.

Improving the cultural and linguistic responsiveness of MHA services for the Deaf community by developing resources for the MHA sector.

Supporting researchers from Massey University to undertake training and research with the sector that will result in the development of a toolkit of best practice wellbeing initiatives for the MHA sector.

Raising the profile of MHA support workers through Careerforce's Workforce Diversity Campaign "The life you change might be your own".

Raising the profile and value of the peer support worker workforce to the Ministry of Health and seeking commitment for further investment to increase the workforce size.





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