



Te Kāhu Toi - Te Awa Unit

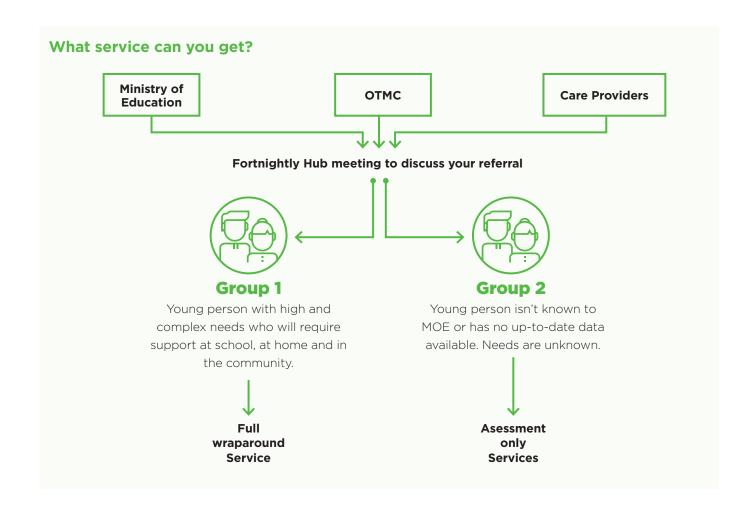
What Te Awa unit is

Te Awa Unit (TAU) is a service for young people aged 11-17, who are in the custody of Oranga Tamariki, the Ministry for Children (OTMC). The service is managed through the Ministry of Education's contracted provider, the Northern Health School and works in co-operation with OTMC.

Te Awa Delivers 2 types of service:

- 1. An assessment service, that looks at identifying young people's needs or at answering specific referral questions (function of behaviour, education assessment, therapeutic needs...)
- 2. An intensive wraparound service

Wraparound plans are created to support tamariki at school, at home and in the community. Plans are designed to have a range of activities and interventions, including help from professionals to help tamariki and whanau develop new skills.

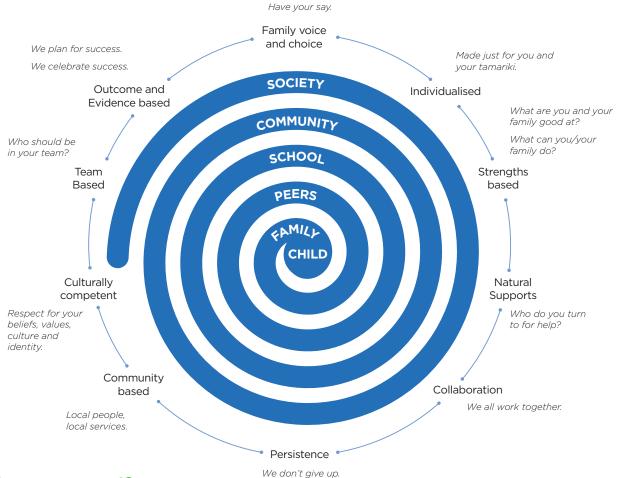






The way we will work with you

In wraparound we help you and your family/whanau to realise your hopes and dreams and for you to grow up in your home and community.



What can you expect?

You will be asked to share what is important to you.

To think about what the 'best' looks like for you.

To tell the team supporting you what your strengths are.

To learn new things so you can use them in the future to cope with problems.

Regular wraparound team meetings, which you are prepared for. (No surprises)

We will never ask you for more information than you are happy to give. You can 'pass' on any question.

We keep checking the plan is working. We see what needs to be changed if it isn't.

The money that supports your wraparound plan will go directly to the school/education provider you attend.

A facilitator to help prepare you for meetings and make sure your voice is heard.

The plan may have actions/steps that can support the wider family (e.g. your parents/caregivers and siblings)

You and your team will brainstorm ideas of what actions could help meet your needs.

A single plan made just for you, written by the wraparound psychologist. No two plans in wraparound are the same.

Who can be in your team?

The facilitator will ask you who you would like on your team. Team members can include a close friend, a neighbour or a professional person that you and your family have good relationships with. Team members will all work together to help you and your family succeed.



