

Advancing equity for Māori through a refreshed Cancer Action Plan 2019-2029

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E rere ngā mihi ki te Kuini Nga wai hono i te po

We send our acknowledgements to the Queen Nga wai hono i te po

**Ki a koutou e te haukāinga o te rohe nei, Te Ākitai Waiohua, Ngāti Te Ata Waiohua,
me Ngāti Tamaoho**

To the people of this land Te Ākitai Waiohua, Ngāti Te Ata Waiohua, and Ngāti Tamaoho

Ki te apārangi World Indigenous Cancer Network

To the World Indigenous Cancer Network

Me Hei Āhuru Mōwai, nā koutou te karanga o te rā, tēnā rā koutou katoa

And to Hei Āhuru Mōwai, whose call brings us here today, greetings to you all

Ko Te Tiriti o Waitangi he taonga ka noho hei pou arataki i a mātou mahi katoa

The Treaty of Waitangi is a treasure that stands as a guiding pillar in all that we do.

Ko Wai Au



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What is the New Zealand Cancer Action Plan



Why the refresh matters now



Te Tiriti (the Treaty of Waitangi), hauora (Māori health), and whānau (family) voice



Practical strategies for embedding equity

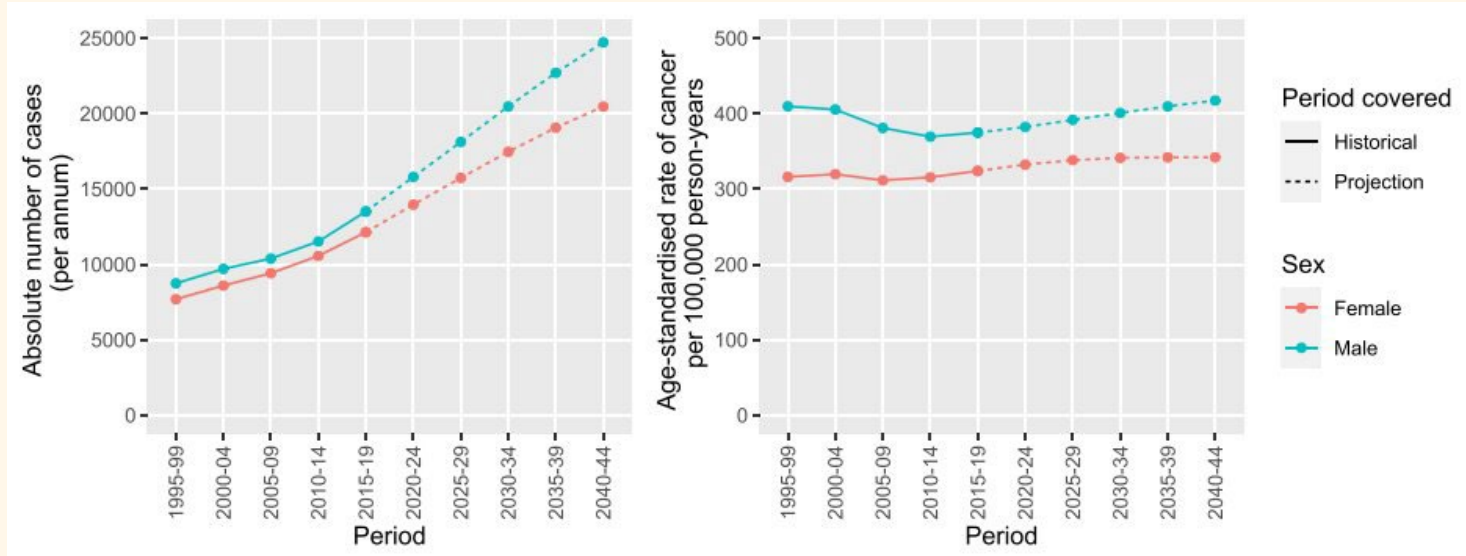


Key action areas across the cancer continuum



How progress will be tracked and shared

Why does Aotearoa need a Cancer Action Plan?



Doubling of cases in the next 25 years

Cancer is Aotearoa's leading cause of death

Longstanding and persistent inequities

New Zealand Cancer Action Plan 2019-2029



- 10-year national cancer strategy
- Equity-led, Indigenous-focused
- Four goals across the cancer continuum
- National coordination via Cancer Control Agency

Why this refresh matters now



- Equity ambition remains; delivery must deepen
- Persistent inequities remain for Māori and Pacific peoples
- The midpoint refresh creates a practical opportunity
- The cancer and health system context has shifted

The refresh is a chance to sharpen delivery

1

New Zealanders have a system that delivers consistent and modern cancer care

2

New Zealanders experience equitable cancer outcomes

3

New Zealanders have fewer cancers

4

New Zealanders have better cancer survival, supportive care and end-of-life care.

Prevention

Screening & Early Detection

Diagnosis & Treatment

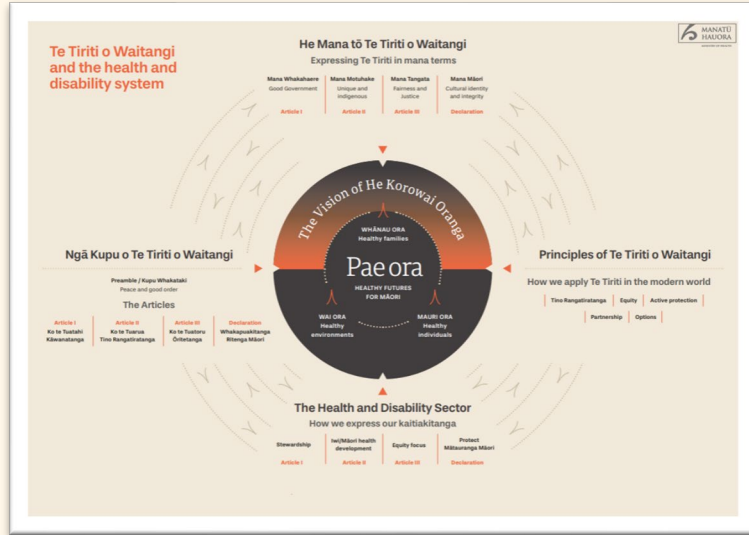
Recovery & Survivorship

Palliative & End of Life Care

Connectors: Case coordination, navigation transportation assistance, patient information/guidance

Enabling Functions: Research, Data, Digital Health, Workforce, Technology/Infrastructure

Equity starts with Te Tiriti o Waitangi, our Treaty



- Te Tiriti framed the refresh process and content
- Hauora (Māori health) models informed what ‘good’ looks like
- Mātauranga (Māori knowledge) belongs across the cancer journey

Whānau voice shapes what good planning looks like

- More than 2,500 whānau contributed through hui
- Shared decision-making and co-design matter
- Navigation, trust, and culturally safe care are important
- Prevention, treatment, and support must be whānau-centred



From Principles to Practice: Equity by Design



- Partnering for shared outcomes
- Indigenous frameworks built into design and delivery
- Whānau-centred pathways, information, and support
- Equity built into monitoring from the start

Action across the cancer continuum



Access

Earlier detection and more timely treatment

Workforce

A highly capable, culturally safe workforce

Leadership & Support

Māori leadership and whānau-centred support

System Barriers

System barriers identified, reduced, and monitored

Accountability: visible, shared, and measurable



Clear owners for actions and implementation



Shared stewardship across agencies and partners



Monitoring and reporting with an explicit equity focus



Whānau-centred measures alongside system measures

What success looks like by 2029



- **Equitable access** to earlier diagnosis and treatment
- **Whānau-centred care** delivered closer to home
- Stronger **Māori leadership**, governance, and partnership
- **Transparent monitoring** of equity goals

Equity: A design and accountability choice



The strategic drivers remain



Whānau voice gives the direction



National planning must share power and responsibility



Progress must be visible to the communities it serves



**Ngā mihi nui ki a
koutou katoa.**
Thank you

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