

Community Resources Booklet
Lower Hutt/Wellington
0800 004 CPS (277)

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This resource booklet is a collation of services and agencies that support women who are pregnant or new families. Health professionals who responded to our survey indicated that this type of resource would be helpful. It is by no means a complete guide and suggestions and updates can be emailed us.

This resource is a living document, created to improve greater access to services and better communication between services in the community. Please contact us if your details need updating or if any additions are needed.

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HAPAI TAUMAHA HAPÛTANGA/CRISIS PREGNANCY SUPPORT

Hapai Taumaha Hapūtanga — Crisis Pregnancy Support is an organisation based in Wellington and Lower Hutt. We offer a health professional-led non-judgmental support service, offering emotional and practical help to women free of charge. We are committed to support any women in the region who requires extra support in their pregnancy to have access to reliable, sustainable care. We also offer abortion and pregnancy loss support.

Our team is made up of health professionals who provide free consultations to women and their whanau who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant or require support in their pregnancy. We journey in partnership with our clients, supporting them emotionally and practically, with an aim to reduce some of their stressors, and together build a holistic support network. Our team understands the stress an unexpected or crisis pregnancy can bring and realise this can be a very overwhelming time. We take the time to go through the different options available and our hope is to reduce isolation, build women's self-confidence and resilience and enable them to create safer environments for them and their family.

Women are referred to us from a variety of sources, but are also encouraged to self-refer. Hapai Taumaha Hapūtanga — Crisis Pregnancy Support also has a group of volunteers who are available to support women through a variety of means such as general support, mentoring, transportation and visiting. On occasions a woman may require accommodation and we have volunteers who are able to assist with this as well. All our volunteers have been vetted and police checked.

Appointments are available Monday to Friday through 0800 004 CPS (277). Crisis Pregnancy Support liaises with health professionals and support agencies in the Lower Hutt and Wellington Region and the community to work towards best health outcomes for our clients and whanau.

PARENTING AND FAMILY SUPPORT

Birthright

Birthright offers a range of social services for the children and parents of families led by one person. The support is confidential, non-judgmental, friendly and in most cases free of charge. Services include social work support and counselling, parent education programmes, budgeting advice and more. Also provides free baby clothes and equipment.

Locations:

101 Copeland St, Epuni, Lower Hutt

C 04 567 7123

89B Thorndon Quay, Wellington

(04 499 0055

www.birthright.org.nz

Brainwave Trust Aotearoa

Brainwave is a charitable trust which helps parents and whanau understand what children need for the best start in life. They provide practical advice and courses about what really matters in the early years and support parents and whanau to make positive choices for their tamariki.

(09 528 3981

www.brainwave.org.nz

Family Works

Trust which provides a range of social services for children, young people, parents and families including parent education programme, disputes resolution, Good Fathers Parenting Programme, and counselling. Works from Upper Hutt, but can do counselling via zoom/phone, home visits or pick-up and drop-offs in Wellington.

Referral – self-referral

C 04 5284164

familyworks-upperhutt@psc.org.nz

Location: 4 Exchange Street, Ebdentown, Upper Hutt

www.familyworks.org.nz

Nāku Ēnei Tamariki (NET)

Nāku Ēnei Tamariki Inc. is a proactive intensive early intervention home visiting support service for young parents and their pepe. NET operates three cultural units – Māori, Pacific Island and Pākehā.

See under the section **Māori health/support** for more details.

The Little Miracles Trust

The Little Miracles Trust (prev. The neonatal Trust) provides support to the families of premature or sick full-term babies as they make their journey through neonatal care, the transition home and onwards.

Referral - self-referral

C 04 806 0790

info@littlemiraclestrust.org.nz

www.littlemiraclestrust.org.nz

Mothers Network Wellington Inc

Run by mums, for mums. Offers free support and connect women facing the changes and challenges of being a mum through discussion groups. Also consider the impact motherhood has on other aspects of life, including relationships, career and sense of wellbeing. Also has single mothers' groups.

Referral – self-referral online

www.mothersnetwork.org.nz

Multiples NZ

Offers support for parents of multiples. Holds regular coffee mornings, weekly playgroup, educational evening meetings and social events. Shares clothing and hires equipment and has a library.

Referral - self-referral online

Locations: Hutt Valley and Wellington

www.multiples.org.nz

<u>Nāku Ēnei Tamariki (NET)</u>

Support for mothers and their pepe. Provide an intensive home visiting program for pregnant women, mothers and their whanau that includes parenting skills, referrals to counselling or social work services, access to other specialist and GP services. Can help with budgeting, food bank, housing, WINZ and Inland Revenue. Provides information and education on a range of health, family and life skills.

See under the section **Māori health/support** for more details.

Parenting Place (Space)

Charity that runs various parenting courses (*Space* for the first critical year together, meeting weekly and exploring parenting, sleep, attachment and brain development. *Building Awesome Whānau* for whānau raising children aged 0-12 and *Toolbox* for parents raising pre-school, middle years, or teens.

Referral - self-referral online

Locations: Various places in Wellington and Hutt Valley

www.parentingplace.nz

Parent Help

Helping parents build resilient and positive whānau through a free parenting Helpline, affordable parenting courses and counselling services.

C 0800 568 856

- Mon Sun 9am-9pm
- www.parenthelp.org.nz

Parent to Parent – Lower Hutt

Offers support for parents of special needs children and children with illnesses and medical conditions. Links parents with other trained support parents who have a child with the same condition. Can also be contacted for advice about a specific condition/disability and provide contact with a family who is raising a child with that condition. Supports from pregnancy into adulthood.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

www.parent2parent.org.nz

Pepe Ora

Useful website with information about resources related to wellbeing in pregnancy, childbirth and postpartum including counselling, family support, finding a midwife etc.

www.wellington.pepeora.nz

Supergrans Charitable Trust

Aim to help families and individuals make the best of what they have by learning new and improving existing everyday life skills. The mentors draw on experience from their careers, household management, raising a family, and other practical skills including budgeting. Can visit new mums at home.

Referral - health professional or self-referral

(04 566 9778 or 021 074 3206

d chris.martin@supergran.org.nz

www.supergran.org.nz

Women's Centre Lower Hutt

The Lower Hutt Women's Centre acts as a community resource centre for Women, Teenage Girls and Children, working towards and with, education, empowerment, the promotion of mental health, healing and recovery for all women and families in the community. Also offers social work and counselling.

Referral – self-referral

(04 920 1009

www.lhwc.org.nz

Women's Centre Upper Hutt - Te Whakamana Wahine

Provides a central meeting place, open to all women and their children, to obtain information, education and support. The aim is to promote self-esteem, empowerment and creativity and to raise awareness of the issues affecting women e.g. violence, rape, sexual abuse and health. Also offers general counselling.

Referral - self-referral

(04 527 0017

Mon – Fri 9-2pm

www.uhwc.co.nz

Women of Worth

Women of Worth helps women understand their inherent worth and identify their strengths. Different programs offer and integrate experiential and structured learning experience which includes; practical tools and strategies for the day to day living and parenting.

(027 766 2111

Location: 27 Kings Cres, Lower Hutt

www.wow.org.nz

RESOURCES/DONATIONS

Bellyful

Provides practical support in the form of cooked meals for families in Hutt Valley and Wellington with new baby (usually under 3 months) who don't have that support otherwise. Also provide for families with unwell children who have minimal supports

Referral - online self-referral

C 0508 2355938

www.bellyful.org.nz

Pregnancy Assistance of Program of St Vincent de Paul

Provide free clothing and bedding for mothers and their babies.

Referral - self-referral

(04 389 7122

Mon – Thu 10am - 12pm, 1pm - 3pm

Location: Level 1, 207 Riddiford Street, Newtown, Wellington

www.vinnies-wellington.org.nz

Pro Love

Pro Love is committed to helping pregnant mums, dads and caregivers with young babies and toddlers that need support. Provide baby love boxes.

C 021 151 1505

www.prolove.co.nz

The Nest Collective

Works alongside social workers and other community partners to provide free packs of baby essentials for whānau in need. Give packs of new, pre-loved, handcrafted and repurposed essentials including clothing, toys, nappies, bedding, books and more.

Packs can be requested directly by filling out google drive form (contact lowerhutt@crisispregnancysupport.org.nz for assistance)

www.thenestcollective.org.nz

See also these organisations:

<u>Birthright</u> (under the section *Parenting and Family support*)

Pregnancy Help (under the section *Counselling*)

MĀORI HEALTH/SUPPORT

Kahungunu Whānau Services

Māori organisation providing housing solutions & social support services across the wider Wellington region.

C 0800 294 462

- 9:30am 3:00pm
- www.nkkp.org.nz

Nāku Ēnei Tamariki (NET)

Nāku Ēnei Tamariki Inc. is a proactive intensive early intervention home visiting support service for young parents and their pepe. NET operates three cultural units – Māori, Pacific Island and Pākehā.

Programs include:

Nurture, Enjoy, Teach- Early Intervention (free home visiting programme for whānau who are either expecting a pepi or have a pepi less than 12 months of age.)

Family Start (free home visiting service for whānau who have vulnerabilities and are either expecting a pepi or have a young pepi under 12 months of age.)

Haakuitanga Haakorotanga Parenting Programme (An eight-week Māori parenting programme that gives parents an understanding of and learning in effective parenting skills.)

Puawai Mama - Support Group (Actively supporting young mothers with new babies to improve the long-term health, social and education outcomes for their whānau.)

Referral – online or via phone from health professional

c see website for various phone numbers

www.takirimai.org.nz/NakuEneiTamarikiInc(NET)MaoriSection

Tākiri Mai Te Ata/Whanau Ora collective

The providers in the collective include: Kōkiri Marae Keriana Olsen Trust; Kōkiri Marae Māori Womens Refuge; Mana Wāhine; Nāku Ēnei Tamariki; Tū Kōtahi Māori Asthma Trust; Wainuiomata Marae; and Whai Oranga o te lwi Health & Dental Centre, who work together collectively to realise the aspirations of Whānau Ora. a collective of seven health, education, justice and social service providers, in the Wellington, Porirua and the Hutt Valley regions.

(0508 565474

dakirimaiteata@kokiri-hauora.org.nz

mww.takirimai.org.nz

See online for referrals and their many services including NET.

Te PaePae Arahi

Supports whanau with mental health and/or addiction needs. Team includes support workers, counselors, nurses, Kaumatua and addiction clinicians to help whanau increase their wellness and succeed in achieving their goals. For all ethnicities

Referral - self-referral

(022 159 7314 or 04 920 0696

Location: 330 High Street, Lower Hutt

www.tepaepae.co.nz

Te Whanau o Te maungarongo Community Services

Service provides programmes and counseling for victims of family violence (adults and children), Group and individual programmes for violent offenders, men's and women's support groups youth violence prevention programmes and counseling for loss/grief and addictions. For all ethnicities. Lower Hutt and Wellington region.

Referral – self-referral

(04 586 6023 or 0800 351 924

c after hours 027 586 6023

www.nnsvs.org.nz

COUNSELLING

Greenstone Doors

Greenstone Doors provides a positive experience for people in all matters with pregnancy, including counseling, natural fertility, care after pregnancy, an aunties system to support pregnant mothers, early childhood playgroups and specialized counseling for pregnancy loss post miscarriage or termination so that families are actively supported into a future with hope. Also offers support programmes for men.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(04 566 5037 or 022 0395788

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Mon – Fri 9:30am – 4pm

Locations:

15 Dudley Street, Lower Hutt

1285 Fergusson Drive, Brown Owl, Upper Hutt

www.greenstonedoors.co.nz

CCS Disability Action

Provides support and strengthens communities so people with disabilities are included in the life of the family and in their community.

Referral – self-referral

(0800 227 2255 or 04 5678910

Wellington.admin@ccsdisabilityaction.org.nz

mww.ccsdisabilityaction.org.nz

Family Planning

Provides a range of services including sexual and reproductive health information, clinical services, education and training and research. Free for under 22 years old.

Referral – self-referral

C 04 569 5025

mww.familyplanning.org.nz

Clinics in Wellington and Lower Hutt. See website for opening hours.

Pregnancy Counselling Services

An independent, charitable trust whose caring, well trained volunteers offer a 24/7 telephone counselling service for anyone with a pregnancy or abortion related issue. Also offers Facebook chat or face to face meetings.

Referral – self-referral

€ 0800 773 462 or 0221 23 8413 Wellington coordinator Marion Gibson

www.pregnancycounselling-nz.org

Pregnancy Help

Pregnancy Help gives information and advice and supports the well-being of pregnant and recently pregnant women, new mothers and their families/whanau. Assist by providing essential clothing and equipment for the baby.

Referral – self-referral

C 04 232 5740

Locations:

139B Main Road, Tawa (Tuesday + Wednesday)

774 High St, Avalon, Lower Hutt (1st and 3rd Thursday of every month)

www.pregnancyhelp.org.nz

Wellington Women's Health Collective

Offers listening support and referral for any aspect of physical, mental or emotional health and wellbeing. There is a small counselling service for women on low income. All services are free.

Referral – self-referral

c 04 384 7709

support@wwhc.org.nz

Monday – Friday 10am – 3pm

www.wwhc.org.nz

See also these organisations:

<u>Women's Centre Lower Hutt</u> (under the section *Parenting and Family support*)

<u>Women's Centre Upper Hutt – Te Whakamana Wahine</u> (under the section *Parenting and Family support*)

Parent Help (under the section Parenting and Family support)

SUPPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

House of Grace

Provides a loving supportive home environment where pregnant teenagers can prepare for childbirth, raise healthy newborn babies, and parent with confidence. The women develop life skills such as budgeting, cooking, and developing daily home routine; learn parental skills to nurture a newborn; and continue school education in person or via correspondence.

C 0800-920-5667

www.thehouseofgrace.org.nz

Vibe

Vibe is a Youth One Stop Shop, providing a range of primary health and social support services for people aged 10-24 years. Provides Free health support and education services with and for young people (10-24 years old). Has doctor and nurse-led clinics, social support, educational services, childbirth courses and a youth transition service.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(04 566 02525 (Lower Hutt)

(04 528 6261 (Upper Hutt)

www.vibe.org.nz

Youthline

Youthline offers a free Helpline service, free face-to-face counselling services, youth mentoring, programmes in schools and communities to help people grow and develop.

(0800 376 633

24/7

www.youthline.co.nz

FATHERS

Great Fathers

Becoming a father can trigger an awakening. It has the potential to change the way a man looks the world and at their own life. We believe that a well-supported, engaged father can break dysfunctional family patterns and become the father their child needs them to be. Sends resources out to fathers. (Does not offer counselling or other support).

Referral – self-referral online or below

www.greatfathers.org.nz/greatfathers

Kidz need Dadz

Kidz Need Dadz' mission is to help New Zealand men be the best fathers they can be. Through education and support we help dads to play an active part in their children's lives. Kidz Need Dadz organise a range of dad-focussed activities and events to help strengthen father-child relationships and provide opportunities to meet other dads. Offer group meetings or 1:1.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(0508 2255 323 or Helpline 0800 563 123

www.kidzneeddadz.org.nz

Locations: Raumati, Petone and Johnsonville

See also this organisation:

<u>Greenstone Doors</u> (under the section *Counselling*)

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/CRISIS HELP

Hutt Valley Women's Refuge

Support families experiencing violence in the Hutt Valley region. Violence can include mind games, stalking, sexual and physical abuse.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(0800 733 843 (Crisis Line) or 04 569 1040

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Location: 32 Pretoria Street, Hutt Central, Lower Hutt

www.huttwomen.org.nz

Kokiri Marae Māori Women's Refuge

Māori for Māori support for wahine and tamariki living in and having been affected by whānau violence and/or abuse. Provides 24hour crisis line, safe house accommodation, living without violence programmes and counselling services for wahine and their tamariki.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(04 566 5025

24/7

Location: 57 Oxford Terrace, Epuni, Lower Hutt

www.takirimai.org.nz/K%C5%8DkiriMaraeM%C4%81oriWomensRefuge

Oranga Tamariki

Oranga Tamariki (Ministry for Children) is a government department in New Zealand responsible for the well-being of children, specifically children at risk of harm, youth offenders and children of the State.

If you suspect child abuse or neglect or are worried about a child or young person call the freephone number and talk to a social worker. If you think a child is in immediate danger phone the Police on 111.

C 0508 326 459

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- www.orangatamariki.govt.nz

Samaritans

Samaritans operates a crisis help line. Their volunteers offer non-judgemental, confidential support to anyone who is experiencing loneliness, depression, despair, distress or suicidal feelings.

C 0800 726 666

- 24/7
- www.samaritans.org.nz

<u>Te Whare Rokiroki Māori Women's Refuge</u>

Confidential support for Māori women experiencing domestic violence. Provides support, advocacy, information, counselling, social work, programmes and safe house accommodation.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(04 80153843 or Crisis Line 0800 733 8430

- 24/7
- www.wellingtonwomensrefuge.co.nz/maori-womens-refuge

Location: 44 Wigan Street, Wellington

Victim Support

Victim Support provides a free, nationwide support service for people affected by crime, trauma, and suicide in New Zealand. They help their clients to find safety, healing, and justice after crime and other traumatic events.

Referral - self-referral

(0800 842 846

- 24/7
- www.victimsupport.org.nz

Wellington Women's Refuge

Confidential support for women of all ethnicities apart from Māori experiencing domestic violence. Provides support, advocacy, information, counselling, social work, programmes and safe house accommodation. Also visit and work with women who do not need to come into the "safe house" itself.

(04 80153843 or Crisis Line 0800 733 8430

24/7

Location: 44 Wigan Street, Wellington

www.wellingtonwomensrefuge.co.nz

See also this organisation:

<u>Te Whanau o Te maungarongo Community Services</u> (under the section *Māori health/support*)

MENTAL HEALTH

Crisis Resolution Service (CRS)

Wellington and Hutt Valley acute Mental Health Service. If you are worried about safety for a mental health crisis (call police if obvious self-harm). Provide assessment and short-term treatment services. (Previously known as CATT team)

Referral – through Te Haika

(0800 745 477

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www.mhaids.health.nz

Little Shadow

Little Shadow connects those experiencing perinatal distress to counselling, support and information. Offers subsidised counselling support and a free parenting support group.

Referral - self-referral

www.littleshadow.org.nz

Mental Health and Addiction Services

Community based services for people in Wellington, Porirua, Kāpiti, the Hutt Valley and the Wairarapa who are between 18 – 65 years old and who are experiencing moderate to severe mental Health and/or addictions.

Referral – health professional or self-referral through Te Haika

(0800 745 477

TeHaika@MHAIDS.health.nz

12 am – 12 am

Mothers Helpers

Information on adjusting to Motherhood. Postnatal depression support, provide courses for PND, recovery course, resources and Facebook support group. Also have family resources, parenting, relationship and counselling available (at cost).

Referral - self-referral online

Perinatal Anxiety & Depression Aotearoa

To improve outcomes for families and whanau affected by mental illness related to pregnancy, childbirth and early parenthood.

Services:

Specialist Maternal Mental Health Service, CCDHB

This service is for women who are pregnant or have a baby under one year old (at the time of referral) who are experiencing moderate to severe mental health issues.

Referral – through Te Haika

(0800 745 477

- 24/7
- www.pada.nz
- www.mothershelpers.co.nz

ADDICTIONS

Asian Family Services

Asian Helpline provides nationwide free services. The helpline is available in eight languages, including Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean, Vietnamese, Thai, Japanese, Hindi and English. The service helps Asian people who are experiencing gambling harm or COVID-19 related mental distress access appropriate counselling support

Referral: self-referral

(0800 862 342 or text 832

→ Mon – Fri 9 am – 8 pm

www.asianfamilyservices.nz

<u>Atareira</u>

A range of support and information services for families and whanau of people with experience of mental illness and/or addictions. Also, Easy Access housing for tangata whaiora at risk of homelessness.

Referral: health professional or self-referral

(04 499 1049

Locations:

Unit 5 - 28 Bridges St, Melling, Lower Hutt

BNZ Centre, Level 6, 14 Hartham Place, Porirua

Anvil House, Level 4, 138 Wakefield St, Wellington (Housing Service)

www.atareira.org.nz

Community Alcohol and other Drug Services (CADS)

The Addictions Service provides assessment and treatment for people with substance dependence and a co-existing mental health and/or serious physical health problems. Within the broader alcohol and drug services for Wellington, CADS has the responsibility of caring for those people with more severe disorders.

Referral - health professional through Te Haika (Mental Health Contact Centre)

(0800 745 477

TeHaika@MHAIDS.health.nz

12 am – 12 am

www.mhaids.health.nz

Gambling Helpline Aotearoa

Qualified counsellors provide free, professional and confidential gambling counselling services for both gamblers and others affected by gambling.

Referral - self-referral

€ 0800 654 655 (Crisis Hotline) or anonymous text – 8006

24/7

mww.gamblinghelpline.co.nz

Also, through gamblinghelpline.co.nz are the following helplines (varying hours):

Māori Gambling Helpline

C 0800 654 656

Vai Lelei Pasifika Gambling Helpline

(0800 654 657

Youth Gambling Helpline "In Ya Face"

C 0800 654 659

Gambling Debt Helpline

(0800 654 658

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Referral – health professional or self-referral through Te Haika

(0800 745 477

TeHaika@MHAIDS.health.nz

12 am – 12 am

Takiri Mai te Ata (TMTA) Regional Stop Smoking Service

A comprehensive free smoking cessation programme to help and support Whanau to quit smoking. This service operates across Wellington, Wairarapa, Hutt Valley, Porirua and Kapiti and is available for all populations with a priority for Māori, Pacific, Hapū mama and whānau with mental health issues.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(0800 926 257

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www.takirimai.org.nz

Quitline

Free advice and non-judgemental support to quit smoking. Through Quitline subsidized nicotine patches, gum or lozenges are available

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(0800 778 778

24/7

www.quit.org.nz

PREGNANCY COMPLICATIONS

Early Pregnancy Assessment Clinic HVDHB

Women experiencing pain and/or bleeding under 13/40 can be referred to the EPAC in MAU for assessment in a planned acute manner. Please discuss with the O&G team on call via the operator and then fax referral to MAU.

Referral – Discuss referral with O&G team on call via operator. Referrals are to be faxed

(04 587 2809 Fax: 04 570 9220

Mon – Fri 8am – 4:30pm

Women's Clinics - Acute Assessment Wellington Hospital

Acute assessment for obstetric and gynaecological conditions.

Referral – Discuss referral with O&G team on call via operator.

(04 385 5999 (switchboard)

24/7

HELPLINES

Healthline

Free telephone advice line supported by the Ministry of Health and St John. Manned by registered nurses.

Referral - self-referral

C 0800 611 116

- 24/7
- www.health.govt.nz

Lifeline

Free phone counselling offering a safe, effective and confidential service to support emotional and mental well-being.

Referral - self-referral

C 0800 543354

- 24/7
- www.lifeline.org.nz

National Poisons Centre

Answers enquiries both from health professionals and from the general public concerning acute poisoning and the toxic effects of chemicals, which may be encountered in emergencies of any sort.

Referral - self-referral

C 0800 764766

- 24/7
- www.poisons.co.nz

Plunket line

Phone support service staffed by specially trained Plunket nurses is available to respond to caregivers' concerns on child health and parenting.

Referral – self-referral

(0800 933 922

- 24/7
- www.plunket.org.nz

SOCIAL WORK

Catholic Social Services

Social work offered to all people regardless of circumstances, beliefs or race. Grief and loss support related to death, abortion and relationship issues. General community and social work support to families/ whanau in need.

Referral - self-referral

(04 385 8642

Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm

www.wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz

CCDHB Social Work

Social workers work in many services across our DHB and provide support both in hospital and in the community across the CCDHB region.

Referral - health professional

C 04 806 2373

Fill out online booking form and send via email



www.ccdhb.org.nz/our-services/a-to-z-of-our-services/allied-health/social-work

HVDHB Social Work Department

Provision of counselling /support to women to assist with pregnancy or birth and health related issues.

Referral – health professional or self-referral





www.huttmaternity.org.nz/resources/hutt-hospital-services/#:~:text=Social% 20Worker,Phone%20(04)%20570%209620

Strengthening Families

Strengthening Families is an Oranga Tamariki-funded service that helps various agencies collaborate to ensure families receive wrap-around care. The person the whānau could be a budget advisor, social worker, medical specialist, counsellor, teacher or other support worker.

Referral – through support agencies

(04 918 9281

Mon – Fri 8:30am – 5pm

www.strengtheningfamilies.govt.nz

See also these organisations:

Birthright (under the section *Parenting and Family support*)

<u>Women's Centre Lower Hutt</u> (under the section *Parenting and Family support*)

Kahungunu Whānau Services (under the section Māori health/support)

ADOPTION

Oranga Tamariki

Information and counselling services in relation to all areas of adoption including: the adoption Information Act (1985) decision making, counselling for pregnant women and their families, working with prospective adoptive applicants post adoption follow up and inter-country adoption.

Referral – health professional or self-referral

C 0508 326459

- Monday to Friday 8.30am 5pm
- www.orangatamariki.govt.nz/adoption/adopting-in-nz

BUDGETING AND LEGAL ADVICE

CAP (Christians against poverty)

Offers free debt counselling. Non-judgemental advise. Also offers a free money course.

Referral - self-referral

C0508 227 111

- Monday Friday 9am 5pm
- mww.capnz.org

Hutt Valley Community Law Centre

Free one-on-one legal help. Aims to meet unmet legal needs in the Wellington and Hutt Valley area. Advice about ACC, family law, health & disability, jobs, benefits, flats, immigration and refugee law and much more

Referral – health professional or self-referral

(04 499 2928

www.communitylaw.org.nz/centre/wellington-hutt-valley

Money Talks

Provides links to local budgeting services and is dedicated to the development of budgeting skills through free, supportive, confidential and culturally aware services. Free budgeting advice for anyone needing help in managing their personal or family finances (not for businesses).

Referral - self-referral

(0800 345 123

- help@moneytalks.co.nz
- 🕘 Monday Friday 8am 4:30pm
- www.moneytalks.co.nz

Paid Parental Leave

Details available from the Department of Employment and Labour.

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www.employment.govt.nz/leave-and-holidays/parental-leave/eligibility/eligibility-table/

www.ird.govt.nz/paid-parental-leave

Working for Families - Work and Income NZ

Working for Families is a package that is designed to make it easier to work and raise a family.

Referral - self-referral

(0800 227 773

- Monday to Friday 8am 6pm, Saturday 9am 1pm
- www.ird.govt.nz/topics/working-for-families

See also this organisation:

<u>Supergrans Charitable Trust</u> (under the section *Parenting and Family support*)

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