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what you need to know

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TE TAETAĒ NI KIRIBATI

Karina te ang, tauraol nakon te mwioko
ao kabura riklara ni Kiribati



Strive diligently to fulfill our responsibilities
and uphold our Kiribati Identity

20 PACIFIC
26 LANGUAGE
WEEKS

TOP: Taara Petelo-TITI, Laleal Petelo-TITI & Jayden Iiga
BOTTOM: Era Tale, Jorati Petelo-TITI & Regina Tale
of KAOS at Papamoa Beach Tauranga



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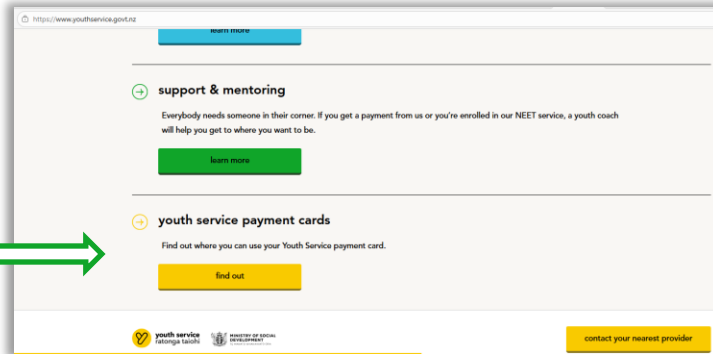
updated supplier list

the youth service payment card supplier map and list has been updated



The Youth Service Payment Card supplier map and list has been updated.

Young people can access the map through the Youth Service website: www.youthservice.govt.nz or www.youthservice.govt.nz/suppliers



Prefer a list?

An updated list has been uploaded to ART. Find it attached to the ART message with this Youth Service update or by going to the Document Library (Admin > Documents)

[Youth Service payment card suppliers | Google My Maps](#)

change – disability allowance costs evidence

young people will now need to provide receipts or invoices, not quotes or estimates

For Disability Allowance costs, quotes and estimates will no longer be accepted as confirmation that a young person is incurring a cost. Taiohi must provide receipts or invoices.

If a young person needs help with the upfront cost of getting a receipt or invoice, they may be able to get hardship assistance.

Learn more

[disability allowance and child disability allowance | Youth Service providers](#)

[hardship assistance | Youth Service providers](#)



Disability Allowance helps with extra costs that are directly related to a health condition. Above are some examples of things it may be able to help pay for. Visit the Youth Service website to learn more.



jobseeker profile enhancements

young people need to login to mymsd to update their jobseeker profiles asap!



MSD has updated Jobseeker Profiles to better understand a young person's experience, strengths, goals, and employment aspirations.

The updated profile now captures more information about a young person's skills, personal strengths, work preferences, unpaid mahi and volunteer experience.

There are also free-text fields to give young people the chance to talk about who they are, what they've done, what they're good at, and what kind of work they're interested in.

All Jobseeker Profiles are now showing as incomplete in ART

At your next catch-up with each young person, please support them to update their Jobseeker Profile through MyMSD. You can also text them to update it today!

Transferring to Main Benefit

If a young person has already submitted an application to transfer to a main benefit with a completed Jobseeker profile, we'll take into account that they would've completed their pre-benefit activities at the time they submitted their application.

From 13 July, any new transfer to a main benefit task will be sent back if the young person hasn't updated their Jobseeker Profile, as they won't have completed their pre-benefit activities.

Complete your Jobseeker profile
Your profile isn't complete yet. Add the missing info so we can find the best job matches for you.
Complete your Jobseeker profile →

Get matched with jobs
We find roles that suit your experience and preferences.

Get a ready-made CV
Your profile creates a CV you can use right away.

Apply for jobs online
Apply anytime, day or night.

CV builder coming soon
We're still working on this feature. You'll be able to create a CV from your profile soon.

If you were asked to complete a Jobseeker profile for your work obligations, or you have applied for a benefit, an accurate profile helps avoid issues with your benefit.
[How your Jobseeker profile may affect your benefit.](#)

help taiohi find a job with findajob.msd.govt.nz

new digital employment platform that taiohi can use to look at job vacancies

Replacing Kimi Mahi Mai – Find a Job, MyMSD has a new job search feature. The website will use the young person's Jobseeker profile to help them to make a CV and apply for jobs online.

Check it out: [Find jobs |MyMSD](#)

The image displays two screenshots of the MyMSD website. The top screenshot shows a job listing for 'Gardner- Green Space operator', an Agricultural and Horticultural Mobile Plant Operator. Key details include: On-site in Hamilton City, \$26.93 per hour, Permanent contract, and Start date: 01 July 2026. The job is posted today and has a Job ID of 36964354. There are buttons for 'Apply for this job' and 'Share job'. A sidebar on the right titled 'About the mahi' shows options for Location (On-site, Hamilton City), Work schedule, Schedule type (Flexible schedule), and Important skills.

The bottom screenshot shows the 'Find jobs' search interface. It features a search bar with the text 'Nau mai haere mai. Search for jobs that suit you and apply online.' Below the search bar are three input fields: 'Job title or keyword' (with 'E.g. Forklift driver' as a placeholder), 'Industry' (with 'E.g. Building & Trades' as a placeholder and a dropdown arrow), and 'Location (City, district or region)' (with 'E.g. Auckland' as a placeholder). A 'Search' button is located to the right of the input fields.



drop-in recap: face and supplementary assistance

FACE stands for full and correct entitlement. It's the things we look at to ensure that our taiohi are receiving the assistance they are entitled to and at the right rate.

We rely on kaimahi who work face-to-face with taiohi to ensure they are getting their Full and Correct Entitlement.

This means financial assistance such as:

- Accommodation Supplement
- Temporary Additional Support
- Disability Allowance
- Incentives (budgeting, education and parenting).

You can call YSSU to check what taiohi might qualify for. This can be verbally over the phone, or a DREW assessment can be provided in the young person's ART record.

**Full
And
Correct
Entitlement**



Tip for coaches:

Your organisations ART admin users can request a FACE report from us. This shows who is and isn't receiving incentives or supplements.

Send an email to

national_youthservice@msd.govt.nz



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drop-in recap: face and supplementary assistance

Supplementary assistance are non-taxable payments that support taiohi to meet their living costs. These payments are additional to a main benefit.

Accommodation Supplement

Amount is based on:

- where a taiohi is living (4 possible areas)
- how much accommodation costs are paid
- what type of accommodation costs.



Temporary Additional Support

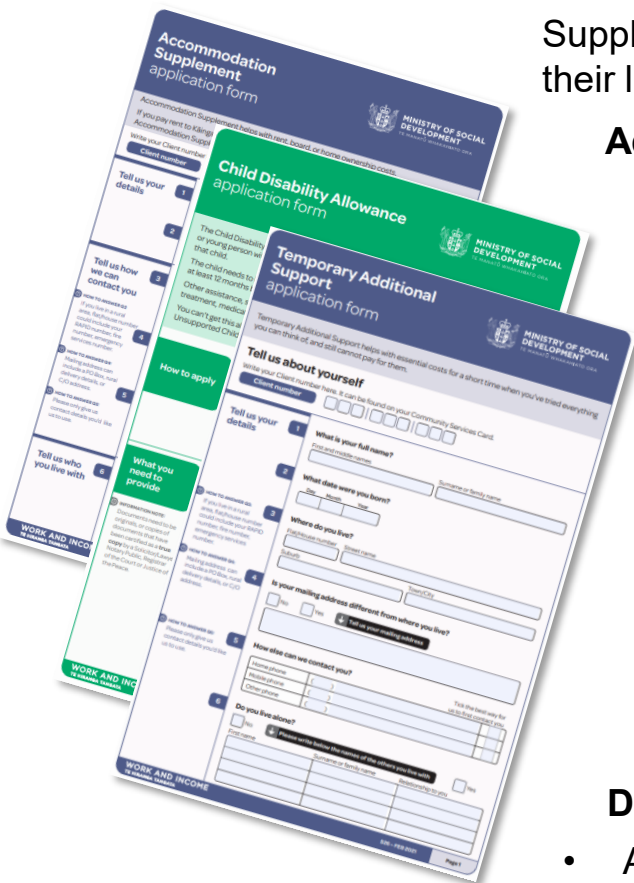
- A temporary payment to help taiohi pay toward regular **essential** living costs
- Allowable costs can relate to household items, employment related costs, accommodation costs and health and disability costs.
- Paid for up to 13 weeks.

Disability Allowance

- Assistance to help taiohi who have on-going, additional costs because of a disability
- Examples of costs that can be included are special foods, counselling, medical fees and travel

Other types of supplementary assistance:

- Child Disability Allowance
- Training Incentive Allowance
- Childcare Assistance
- Winter Energy Payment (no application needed)



Learn more
[extra assistance | Youth Service eLearning](#)



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upcoming drop-in sessions

drop-in to meet other youth coaches and learn about youth service



no drop-in
Tuesday 7 July, 10am

With the Matariki public holiday at the end of this week we won't be having a drop-in.

Catch you back next week!



young people aging out
Tuesday 14 July, 10am

The end of July is one of the times where there is a spike in the number of young people exiting Youth Service. In this session, we will discuss what you need to do to prepare for taiohi to leave Youth Service.



[Join the Teams meeting](#)

full drop-in schedule

[Drop-in sessions | Youth Service providers](#)



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