

Ratonga Taiohi Pānui

what you need to
know



mid-semester break and winter solstice

It's the shortest day of the year!

It's a great time to check in with your taiohi who are in tertiary education or studying with training providers.

- Are they continuing in education for semester two?
 - If not, remember to complete their **education activity in ART** when their course finishes.
- It's also a good time to check on their attendance in education for the year so far.

If you want a reminder about how to record education activities in ART we have two easy eLearning modules:

[Recording education/training activities for NEET – eLearning module](#)
[Recording education/training activities for YP/YPP – eLearning module](#)

Quick reminder – recording needs, activities & notes in ART

- will improve reporting and make it easier for YSSU to make decisions
- once you've completed a Youth Service Plan with the client you can record their needs in ART
- once a need is created you can edit it, assign activities to it, and close it once it is completed
- you can update the notes each time you have an update on progress
- when adding notes in ART you shouldn't use the **NOTES** tab – put them in the **ACTIVITIES** tab



needs

Are specific needs the young person has to address barriers preventing the young person from meeting their youth activity obligations

activities

any action that a young person does to meet the obligations required, move forward with their goals or overcome a barrier

notes

Should be clear and easy to read
Make sure they are relevant, factual and relate to the activity
When adding notes in ART you shouldn't use the NOTES tab – put them in the ACTIVITIES tab.

full and correct entitlement (FACE)

let's check if payments are correct

- **Early next week**, we'll start uploading spreadsheets to ART to help you with identifying which taiohi are receiving extra help and which taiohi are not.
- You'll need **ART ADMIN** access to view these spreadsheets.
- Your spreadsheet contains taiohi information with columns indicating taiohi details and categories to be checked.

Young people may be eligible for additional assistance, such as:

Accommodation Supplement, Temporary Additional Support, Disability Allowance, Guaranteed Childcare Assistance Payment, Incentive Payments, Training Incentive Allowance...

Find out more about commonly applied for extra financial assistance [here](#)

- For more information, please refer to the attached FACE fact sheet or email national_youthservice@msd.govt.nz.
- We'll send an updated spreadsheet at the end of July



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recap on new Budget 2023 initiatives drop in

On 19 May [Budget 2023: Support for Today, Building for Tomorrow](#) was delivered.

The budget announced some changes, and there's also some new initiatives for you to be aware of.

Public transport fares (from 1 July)

Community Services Card holders can apply to get a 50% discount on single-trip adult fares on public transport.

- Taiohi need to apply through their local public transport provider

Other discounts may not be available straight away in your region:

- free fares for children aged 12 and under, and
- a 50% discount for anyone aged 13 to 24 and Total Mobility users

Prescriptions charges (from 1 July)

The \$5 co-pay will be removed from prescriptions to encourage people to get their medications on time

- This may impact of the amount of [Disability Allowance](#) taiohi receive

Training incentive allowance

TIA is a non recoverable payment that can help towards the cost of study for sole parents

- In Budget 2023 it's been made permanent for study up to level 7

Employment programmes

- Budget 2023 includes funding to continue [Direct Career Guidance Service](#), [Connected, Education to Employment](#)
- [Mayors Taskforce for Jobs](#) (Community Resilience Programme) has received ongoing funding for two years. This provides support to regional and provincial councils to deliver community-based employment solutions for NEETs.



upcoming drop-in session - driver licence programme

10am Tuesday 27 June – Join via [Teams](#)

We work with Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to help our young people get their licence and learn to drive safely.

There's no cost to taiohi to get their licence – and any taiohi enrolled with Youth Service can get assistance.

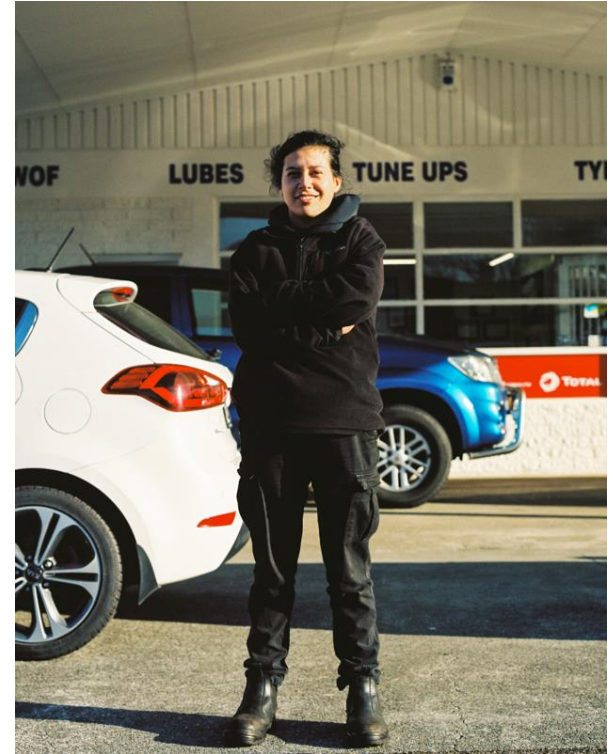
We'll pay for:

- driving tests-written and practical
- driving lessons
- ID such as a Birth Certificate

In this drop in session we'll cover:

- how to record taiohi licence status in ART
- how to provide the correct documents and details to ensure the costs are reimbursed
- What's covered in the programme and recent changes

Complete the [eLearning module](#) and bring your questions



You can find the full drop-in session schedule
on our provider site here:
[drop-in sessions | Youth Service providers](#)

Child Support pass on – extra drop-in session

10am Thursday 29 June – Join via [Teams](#)

Changes to how Child Support is collected by Inland Revenue and paid to sole parents might affect our taiohi.

In this drop in we'll cover:

- what the changes are
- how these changes will affect taiohi paying or receiving Child Support Payments through Inland Revenue
 - applying for child support
 - treating child support as income and abatement rules
 - housing support and income-related rent
 - temporary additional support
- what Youth Coaches need to do to ensure their taiohi are receiving their full and correct entitlement, and aren't disadvantaged by the changes
- key dates and where to go for more information.

Bring all your child support questions



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Tell us what you think of our drop-ins

We're planning for the next block of Drop-Ins and what to hear from you.

Our online Drop-In sessions have been running since 2021
They're the main way we provide training and coaching

We want to know from you:

- Do the drop-ins work for you and your team?
 - Are they the right time of day?
 - Is the video and audio quality OK?
 - How easy is it for you to join in on the sessions?
- Are we covering the right topics?
 - What do you want covered?
 - Would they be better with guest speakers?
 - Should the content be delivered in a different way?
- What can we do to make our training more effective for you and your team?
- If you haven't attended a drop-in yet, why not?



Please send your feedback to us at ystraining@msd.govt.nz



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Gain a tertiary qualification in Pacific nutrition

If you're eligible, thanks to Te Whatu Ora, the cost decreases from \$700 to \$100, and the classes are delivered completely online!



Certificate of Proficiency in Pacific Nutrition

If you work:

- in the health or education sector, or
- with Pacific communities in a training, advice and/or support role,

this AUT Level 4 Pacific nutrition course could be for you.

It's a fun and interactive course that will teach you about the relationship between the types of food we eat, and the affect they can have on our health and wellbeing.

Learn how to share this important information with your Pasifika families, communities and workplaces.

Register now: heartfoundation.org.nz/cpn

For more information:

E: info@pacifichart.org.nz or P: 09 571 9189

Next course starts Wednesday 9 August 2023

- This workshop will be delivered through 12 online, interactive group sessions once a week across 12 weeks.
- 6pm to 8pm.
- Enrol before Friday 14 July 2023 to secure your place.

*enrolment criteria applies.



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