



Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora and Health Hawke's Bay have been working together to ensure rangatahi with the greatest need in our community have access to appropriate health care.

Free GP, nurse practitioner and practice nurse consultations have been available to rangatahi aged 14-24 as it was identified cost was one barrier restricting access to Primary care across Hawke's Bay. To ensure the sustainability of this service the qualifying criteria has been amended.

From 1 September 2024, the following criteria apply for access to the service.

Eligibility Criteria

- A. Rangatahi aged 14 to 24 years **who:**
- Reside in the Health New Zealand, Hawke's Bay catchment area;

This Service is not available to those domiciled outside of Hawke's Bay

AND

Meet one of the following

- Māori and/or Pacific; **or**
- Currently hold a Community Services Card; **or**
- Currently resides in a Quintile 5 area; **or**
- have been diagnosed with at least **ONE** of the long-term conditions below,
 - Type 1 Diabetes
 - Cystic Fibrosis/ Bronchiectasis
 - Asthma requiring Immunotherapy (Omalizumab, Mepolizumab, Benralizumab)
 - Cardiovascular Disease
 - Congenital/Genetic Conditions
 - Auto Immune Disease- Ulcerative Colitis, Crohn's Disease, Juvenile RA
 - Bipolar/Schizophrenia
 - Previous admission to the Mental Health Unit in the past 24 months
 - Neurological
 - Cancer
 - Kidney Disease