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Evaluation of the Awhi Ako Program as run by Tokotoko Solutions Limited, Whangarei.

This research evaluates the Awhi Ako program within Tokotoko Solutions, a youth mentoring service. The aim of this evaluation is to evaluate if staff are reaching outcomes set by Tokotoko Solutions and are meeting the contractual obligations set by the contract provider, Intensive Wraparound Services (IWS). Where staff may not be meeting these, we aim to identify where the gaps are and what can be done to address identified challenges. Awhi Ako uses youth mentoring as a vehicle for social transformation by pairing-young people (aged between 6-16 years) with highly complex and-challenging behaviour, social and/or learning-needs with a trained adult mentor. Areas of vulnerability for these youth are prominent in education, health and social domains. While-it is important to acknowledge the-challenges some youth face, it is equally important to emphasize that every young person has potential, especially when armoured with the right tools and nurturing environments. Awhi Ako was born of this recognition and a desire to provide-participating youth (the mentees) with experiences-and relationships that will-enhance their development and-promote success in education and-beyond.

Outputs: Full technical report complete for Psych513



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