



# TE AOREREKURA ACTION PLAN 2025-2030

## DELIVERING CHANGE, MAINTAINING MOMENTUM: 2026/2027

*This one-year update to the Action Plan focuses on five decisive actions alongside other activities, that will continue work across the focus areas and drive improvements for people impacted by family violence and sexual violence. It builds on the change already delivered and keeps momentum behind the actions that matter most. The Action Plan focus areas continue to contribute to Government Target 4 - reduced violent crime (denoted by \*T4).*



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### 1. KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE

**Respond earlier and faster when children and adults are at high risk of harm from family violence**

**Establish a national support unit** to partner with family violence multi-agency responses and progressively build and roll out a national approach. Work with local communities to enhance and embed multi-agency responses through:

- **intensive trialling in four locations**, including improved risk management, information sharing and workforce skills
- **targeted support in at least four further locations**, recognising opportunities to trial different approaches
- **sharing guidance and tools** with responses across the country.

**This means:** The safety of children and adults at risk of serious family violence is prioritised.

### 2. STOPPING VIOLENCE

**Increase accountability for people using violence through improved consistency and quality of stopping violence interventions**

**Shift the focus towards victim/survivor safety and greater accountability for people who use violence, beginning with a shared definition of effectiveness, and good practice expectations for all stopping violence programmes.** \*T4

**This means:** Victim/survivors can have greater confidence in the system response that is holding people to account for their behaviour.

### 3. TAKING ACTION ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE

**Give families and communities easy access to information to help keep children and young people safe from sexual violence**

**Launch a sexual violence prevention online hub, and a cross-government coordinated prevention campaign** to give access to resources and information. \*T4

**This means:** More people know how to promote and have safe respectful relationships and prevent sexual violence.

### 4. STRENGTHENING OUR WORKFORCE

**Increase people's confidence and skills to recognise and respond to family violence and sexual violence**

**Increase training completions to 15,000\*** in alignment with the family violence workforce capability frameworks and publish tools and guidance for sexual violence workers, ensuring they can identify, respond and refer so people get the right help quickly. \*T4

\*10,000 already completed to date  
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**This means:** More people get the right help sooner when they experience violence.

### 5. INVESTING AND COMMISSIONING WELL

**Enable service providers and communities to focus on the things that matter**

**Transition at least 30 family violence and sexual violence service providers to consolidated contracts** and, explore opportunities for a new collective model to support family violence responses.

**This means:** Providers spend more time delivering services, that better meet the needs of people and communities, with less administrative burden.



| ACTION                              |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | LEAD                       | PARTNERS                                  | DATE     |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1. KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE              | Strengthening how government agencies and communities work together to keep people safe.                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                            |                                           |          |
|                                     | DECISIVE ACTIONS: Respond earlier and faster when children and adults are at high risk of harm from family violence                                                                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Establish a national support unit to partner with family violence multi-agency responses and progressively build and roll out a national approach. Work with local communities to enhance and embed multi-agency responses through:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>intensive trialling in four locations, including improved risk management, information sharing and workforce skills</li><li>targeted support in at least four further locations, recognising opportunities to trial different approaches</li><li>sharing guidance and tools with responses across the country</li></ul></li></ul> | Centre                     | MSD, NZ Police, OT, Corrections, HNZ      | Jun 2027 |
| 2. STOPPING VIOLENCE                | Holding people who use violence to account; providing help early to support behaviour change responding to recommendations of the review of effectiveness of stopping violence interventions. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                            |                                           |          |
|                                     | DECISIVE ACTIONS: Increase accountability for people using violence through improved consistency and quality of stopping violence interventions                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Shift the focus towards victim/survivor safety and greater accountability for people who use violence, beginning with a shared definition of effectiveness and good practice expectations for all stopping violence programmes. (*T4)</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | MSD, MOJ, Corrections      | OT, SIA, HNZ                              | Mar 2027 |
|                                     | KEEP GOING: Ensure services are focused where there is need, and better understand early intervention opportunities, particularly for children and young people                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Agree shared contractable outcomes and develop joint monitoring and reporting processes for stopping violence programmes delivered by Ministry of Justice and Department of Corrections to improve quality assurance. (*T4)</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | MOJ, Corrections           | OT, SIA, HNZ, MSD                         | Jun 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Complete research to identify which interventions are most likely to prevent concerning sexual ideation and harmful sexual behaviours by children and young people, to support the review of funding and ensure government invests in what works within the New Zealand context. (*T4)</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | SIA, OT, Centre            | MSD, MOJ, Corrections, HNZ                | Mar 2027 |
| 3. TAKING ACTION ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE | Stopping sexual violence from happening; supporting people impacted by sexual violence; and creating a safe environment for everyone.                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                            |                                           |          |
|                                     | DECISIVE ACTIONS: Give families and communities easy access to information to help keep children and young people safe from sexual violence                                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Launch a sexual violence prevention online hub, and a cross-government coordinated prevention campaign to give access to resources and information. (*T4)</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Centre                     | All IEB agencies                          | Mar 2027 |
|                                     | KEEP GOING: Strengthen sexual violence prevention through innovation, system insights, and improved data                                                                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop a pathway for funding and evaluating innovative sexual violence prevention initiatives, to support what is already working in our communities.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | ACC                        | SIA, MSD, Centre                          | Jun 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop a cross-government view of how sexual violence against children and young people is prevented through current policy, legislative and education settings, identifying where priority improvements are needed. (*T4)</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Centre                     | All IEB agencies                          | Mar 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provide a national view of health and forensic responses to sexual violence, by improving data collection and system insights.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Centre                     | SIA, HNZ, ACC                             | Jun 2027 |
| 4. STRENGTHENING OUR WORKFORCE      | Ensuring the specialist, general and informal workforces are resourced and equipped to safely respond, heal, prevent, and enable wellbeing.                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                            |                                           |          |
|                                     | DECISIVE ACTIONS: Increase people's confidence and skills to recognise and respond to family violence and sexual violence                                                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Increase training completions to 15,000* in alignment with the family violence workforce capability frameworks and publish tools and guidance for sexual violence workers, ensuring they can recognise, respond and refer so people get the right help quickly. (*T4)</li></ul> <small>*10,000 already completed to date - Action Plan 2025-2030</small>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Centre                     | All IEB Agencies                          | Jun 2027 |
|                                     | KEEP GOING: Strengthen the workforce with clearer standards, practical tools and future planning                                                                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Map existing sexual violence training in three statutory government agencies to the sexual violence workforce capability frameworks so that agencies can identify training needs for staff to better respond to people impacted by sexual violence. (*T4)</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | OT, NZ Police, Corrections | Centre                                    | Jun 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Finalise the long-term future family violence and sexual violence workforce capability and capacity plan.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Centre                     | All IEB Agencies                          | Jun 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Draft national family violence and sexual violence qualifications framework to provide learning options for workers to increase their skills and knowledge, and grow specialist capability.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Centre                     | All IEB Agencies                          | Dec 2026 |
| 5. INVESTING AND COMMISSIONING WELL | Investing in what works to meet people's needs; being strategic about what, where and how we fund; stopping things that are not effective.                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                            |                                           |          |
|                                     | DECISIVE ACTIONS: Enable family violence and sexual violence providers and communities to focus on the things that matter                                                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Transition at least 30 family violence and sexual violence service providers to consolidated contracts.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | MSD                        | Centre, SIA                               | Jun 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Explore opportunities for a new collective model to support family violence responses.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Centre                     | MSD, SIA, Corrections, OT, MOJ, NZ Police | Jun 2027 |
|                                     | KEEP GOING: Improve how agencies measure, plan, and invest together to deliver services that are joined up and effective                                                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop cross-agency effectiveness standards to drive consistent ways to measure what works to improve the quality of family violence and sexual violence services and deliver better outcomes for people.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Centre, SIA                | MSD, NZ Police, OT, MOJ, Corrections      | Mar 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Align commissioning processes for sexual harm crisis support and court support services for adults, children, and young people, to improve service delivery, impact, and outcomes for whānau and tamariki.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | OT, MSD                    | Centre                                    | Jun 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop an overarching FSVS Investment Strategy to provide valuable structure for future system-wide investment planning.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Centre                     | MSD, SIA, NZ Police, OT, Corrections      | Jun 2027 |
|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop a coordinated investment plan for multi-agency family violence responses to better target funding, strengthen collaboration across agencies, and improve outcomes for people and whānau.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Centre                     | MSD, SIA, NZ Police, OT, Corrections      | Jun 2027 |



# TE AOREREKURA ACTION PLAN 2025-2030

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM JANUARY 2025 - JUNE 2026

Since the launch of the action plan in late December 2024, Government has delivered on its commitments, successfully delivering 26 milestones. This work has provided the strong foundations for the year ahead, with a combination of practical action and system capability to drive improvements.



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### 01. EARLIER HELP FOR FAMILIES

## 100+ FAMILIES SUPPORTED

Specialist outreach helped families access services earlier, with 8.6% fewer repeat crisis presentations.

### 02. EARLIER SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE ON REMAND

## 2,446 INDIVIDUALS

Accessed rehabilitative service in remand in the 2025/26 FY.

### 03. STRONGER SEXUAL VIOLENCE SUPPORT

## NEW WORKFORCE FRAMEWORKS

Providing clearer guidance and building capability across the sexual violence sector.

### 04. A MORE SKILLED FRONTLINE WORKFORCE

## 10,000+ TRAININGS COMPLETED

Building frontline capability to better support people experiencing violence.

### 05. STRONGER PROTECTION FROM STALKING

## STALKING IS NOW A CRIMINAL OFFENCE

New legislation strengthens protection for victims and accountability for offenders.

### 06. BETTER EVIDENCE ON WHAT STOPS VIOLENCE

## STOPPING VIOLENCE REPORT

Identifying opportunities to strengthen government funded, community based interventions.

### 07. BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE

## 7 AREAS FOR GOVERNMENT ACTION

New research identifies who is affected, the impacts and where greater support is needed.

### 08. STRONGER LOCAL FAMILY VIOLENCE RESPONSES

## 12 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Helping family violence services better respond to the needs of their communities.

### 09. MORE SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS IN COURT

## AROUND 430 PEOPLE SUPPORTED

Expanded safety programmes are available across 5 Auckland courts.

### 10. MORE CONSISTENT SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE AT HIGH RISK

## NATIONAL HIGH-RISK PROTOCOL

Supporting consistent multi-agency responses for people and whānau at highest risk of severe family violence.

### 11. BETTER INFORMATION SHARING

## TESTING ACROSS 4 LOCAL SITES

New guidance supports information sharing in multi-agency family violence responses.

### 12. MORE TIME SUPPORTING PEOPLE

## 7 NEW INTEGRATED CONTRACTS

Reducing administration so service providers can spend more time supporting people.

### 13. EASIER ACCESS TO TRAINING

## NATIONAL TRAINING DIRECTORY

Helping workers find family violence training and development opportunities.

### 14. BETTER VISIBILITY OF GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT

## \$738M

Total direct investment by Government into family violence and sexual violence services and support.

### 15. SUPPORTING MEN'S BEHAVIOUR CHANGE

## 79 LONG-TERM SERVICE CONTRACTS

Supporting sustainable behaviour change for men who have used violence.