Overview: The Framework

Our Vision: New Zealand is the best place in the world for children and young people.

This means:
- they feel loved and supported
- they have family, whānau and homes that are loving, safe and nurturing
- they are safe from unintentional harm
- they are safe from intentional harm (including neglect, and emotional, physical and sexual abuse)
- they are able to spend quality time with their parents, family and whānau

Indicators:
- Feeling loved
- Feeling safe
- Family/whānau wellbeing
- Injuy prevalence
- Harm against children
- Quality time with parents

The following principles reflect the values New Zealanders have said are important. They guide the development and implementation of the Strategy.

1. Children and young people are taonga.
2. Māori are tangata whenua and the Māori-Crown relationship is foundational.
3. Children and young people’s rights need to be respected and upheld.
4. All children and young people deserve to live a good life.
5. Wellbeing needs holistic and comprehensive approaches.
6. Children and young people’s wellbeing is interwoven with family and whānau wellbeing.
7. Change requires action by all of us.
8. Actions must deliver better life outcomes.
9. Early support is needed.

Essence: Whakatōngia te kākano aroha i roto i ā tātou taitamariki kia puāwai i roto i tō rātou tupuranga aranui oranga. Plant the seed of love in our children and they will blossom, grow and journey towards the greatest pathway of life.
**Overview: Current Programme of Action**

**Actions to support parents, caregivers, families and whānau:**
- Extend paid parental to 26 weeks
- Expansion of Whānau Ora
- Prototype nurse-led family partnership
- New model of intensive intervention

**Actions to prevent harm and abuse:**
- National strategy and action plan to address family and sexual violence
- Early years violence prevention sites
- Investment in family violence prevention activities, including in diverse communities
- Work programme to prevent online child sexual exploitation and abuse

**Actions to support victims and their families and whānau:**
- Ensuring safe, consistent and effective responses to family violence
- Improve regional capability to respond to family violence
- Improve access to sexual violence services, eg kaupapa Māori and crisis support services, and improve justice process for victims

**Actions to improve the quality of State care:**
- Oranga Tamariki Action Plan
- National Care Standards
- Improve outcomes for Māori within the Oranga Tamariki system

**Actions to improve earnings and employment:**
- Increase the minimum wage to $20 per hour by 2021
- Increase employment support through the Ministry of Social Development
- Support for disabled people and people with health conditions

**Actions to create a fairer and more equitable welfare system:**
- Continue to implement the Families Package
- Indexation of main benefits to wages
- Repeal 4.192 of the Social Security Act
- Overhaul the welfare system

**Actions to improve housing quality, affordability, and security:**
- Establish 6,400 new public housing places
- Implement Healthy Homes Standards
- Warmer Kiwi Homes programme
- Strengthening Housing First
- Funding for continued provision of transitional housing

**Actions to help families with the cost of the essentials:**
- Free school lunch prototype
- Interventions to reduce costs of schooling
- Implement lower-cost primary healthcare

**Actions to improve maternity and early years support:**
- Redesigning maternity services through the five-year Maternity Whole of System Action Plan
- Review of the Well Child Tamariki Ora programme
- Intensive Parenting Support: Expanding the Pregnancy and Parenting Service

**Actions to inspire active, healthy and creative children and young people:**
- Healthy Active Learning programme
- Extend and enhance nurses in schools initiative (School Based Health Services)
- Delivery of Strategy for Women and Girls in Sport and Active Recreation
- Creatives in Schools

**Actions to increase representation of child and youth voice:**
- Youth Action Plan development
- Youth Health and Wellbeing Survey – whataboutme?
- Youth Voice Project

**Oranga Tamariki and address:**
- Implement initiatives under section 7AA
- Funding to support Pacific realm
- Lalanga Fou
- Language Revitalisation
- Te Ahu o Te Reo Māori

**Actions to increase youth employment and skill development:**
- Te Aku o Te Ao Māori
- Action Plan for Pacific Aotearoa
- Lalanga Fiu
- Funding to support Pacific realm languages

**Actions to increase sense of belonging and cultural connections:**
- Reform of vocational education

**Actions to increase equity of educational outcomes:**
- Equity Index to provide more equitable resourcing to schools and kura
- Improve learning support: Learning Support Action Plan
- Improve and accelerate education outcomes for Pacific learners

**Actions to promote positive and respectful peer relationships:**
- New service to support transition out of care or youth justice custody
- Programmes for young people not in education, employment or training

**Actions to improve the quality of the education system:**
- Develop a statement of National Education and Learning Priorities
- Address learners' needs by improving data quality, availability, timeliness and capability
- Response to review of home-based early childhood education

**Actions to improve advocacy for children and young people’s rights:**
- Implement Maihi Karauna – The Crown’s Strategy for陈Ioring capabilities in children’s rights
- Build public service competency and capability in children's rights
- The Child Impact Assessment Tool across central government
- Strengthen independent oversight of Oranga Tamariki system and children's issues

**Actions to encourage positive contributions:**
- Investment in community based youth justice facilities
- Paired Te Kura Tāngata initiative: Whānau Ora support for Māori in the Corrections system
- Increased services for children and young people with concerning/harmful sexual behaviours

**Priorities**

1. **Reduce child poverty and mitigate the impacts of poverty and socio-economic disadvantage**
   - Government work programme to address racism and discrimination
   - Restart To Kahitanga: supporting equitable outcomes for Māori learners

2. **Better support those children and young people of interest to Oranga Tamariki and address family and sexual violence**
   - Actions to promote positive and respectful peer relationships:
     - Initiatives to prevent and respond to bullying in schools
     - Expanded healthy relationship programmes in secondary schools

3. **Better support children and young people with greater needs, with an initial focus on learning support and mental wellbeing**
   - Education and Learning Priorities
   - Reform of vocational education
   - Expanding the Pregnancy and Parenting Service
   - Action Plan

4. **Better support children and young people in educational outcomes:**
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5. **Expand healthy relationship programmes in secondary schools**
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