



WHAKAMANAWA 2026 CONFERENCE

24-26 September 2026
Waikato-Tainui Mokopuna Ora
Presentation

MOKOPUNA ORA

Today's Koorero

- *What we have learned*
- *Our cultural practice framework*
- *Culture, whakapapa and healing*
- *Evidence of what is possible*
- *The next chapter*
- *Paatai*

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Vision

Mokopuna thriving in safe, nurturing, whaanau environments, empowered by their whakapapa

Mission

To establish a Waikato-led, mokopuna-focused care and protection model that is whaanau-informed, haponi supported, and grounded in mana motuhake, enabling all mokopuna to thrive

What Whaanau have told us...

Mokopuna Ora is
Important to whaanau

*“I’d be dead...theres no guessing about it, I’d be dead.
..., Mokopuna Ora have their foot in the door at O.T. I
know that I wouldn’t have been here today if I didn’t
have that advocacy happening for me”*

*“...I never, ever would have got my kids back. I would
have to wait for them to grow up and come home... They
never would’ve known I had fight in me for them.
...Mokopuna Ora worked with us, the family.., it’s a safe
place. I love Mokopuna Ora”*