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# Independent Children's Monitor



## Independent Children's Monitor February 2020 Newsletter

Hi <<First Name>>

Kia ora koutou and welcome to the February 2020 newsletter update from the Independent Children's Monitor.

We now have over 1,000 people subscribed to our updates and would like to thank you all for your interest in the important mahi underway to support improving the outcomes of our tamariki and rangatahi who are in care and those who come into contact with the Oranga Tamariki system. We look forward to continuing to share our journey with you all.

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### The Monitor's First Report

For those of you who haven't seen our initial monitoring report, published late last month, it is now available on our website – **[Agency Compliance with Regulations 69 and 85 of the Oranga Tamariki \(National Care Standards and Related Matters\) Regulations](#)**. It sets the background and context of the Independent Children's Monitor and covers the first three months of monitoring. The next two reports, on our monitoring activity, will be presented to the Minister for Children in June and December 2020, before being published on our website.

**[Read the report and responses from agencies here](#)**.

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presentations shared at hui will also be published on our website.

This information will be shared through this newsletter. If you know someone who would benefit from receiving this information, please encourage them to **[subscribe here](#)** for updates.

As mentioned at hui, this is the beginning of our engagement. If you're a children's professional (whether from non-government or government – particularly in the social sector), a provider of services to tamariki and or rangatahi or local iwi we'd love to see you at one of our remaining hui.

Upcoming regional hui are scheduled for Whanganui on Monday, 2 March, New Plymouth on Tuesday 3 March, West Auckland on Thursday 5 March, South Auckland on Friday 6 March, Kaitaia on Wednesday 11 March, Whangarei on Thursday 12 March and Lower Hutt on Monday 16 March.

There are still spaces available. **[Register for a hui near you](#)**.

We look forward to seeing you as we travel around Aotearoa.



Melissa Gill, Executive Director of Independent Children's Monitor, providing overview.



Liz Kinley, Director, Development, Monitoring and Investigations, Office for the Children's Commissioner, at the Marketplace.



Richard Ngatai and Aimee Bryant from the Office of the Ombudsman at the Marketplace.



Nova Banaghan, Head of Assessment, Independent Children's Monitor, at the Marketplace.

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**Ngā mihi nui**  
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