Title	Explain tikanga in relation to kawe mate, in customary and contemporary contexts		
Level	4	Credits	8

Purpose	People awarded this unit standard are able to explain the tikanga of the haukāinga and the tira kawe mate in relation to kawe mate, in customary and contemporary contexts.

Classification	Te Ara Nunumi - Bereavement Pathways Māori > Te Ara Nunumi - Ā-Mahara
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Available grade

Guidance Information

- Tapu and noa are inextricably interwoven throughout all kaupapa concerning Te Ara Nunumi Bereavement Pathways Māori. These elements will be explored in the context of this unit standard according to local whānau, hapū, iwi variation in tikanga.
- Tikanga are te ao Māori social norms exercised by whānau, hapū and iwi. The basic principles underpinning tikanga are common, but while there are some constants, the details of performance of tikanga, and their explanation, may differ. These differences may be at a rohe, iwi, hapū, whānau, or marae level.

The context of the learning should include the tikanga of the local mana whenua (if capable) but learning others' tikanga is also encouraged. This is in order to enrich and enhance understanding of tikanga, and also adapting tikanga when operating in unprecedented situations such as a global pandemic.

3 Definitions

Affiliated marae refers to a marae the tauira is associated with. The association could be through whakapapa or other connections that link the tauira to that particular marae. A person may be affiliated to more than one marae, but for the purposes of this standard only one affiliated marae is required. Tira kawe mate refers to the party (usually made of relatives of a recently deceased person) who visit marae (usually at the request of the marae) subsequent to the tangihanga.

4 References

Te Rangi Hīroa, (Buck, Sir Peter) (1950). Sickness and Health in The Coming of the Māori (2nd ed.). Wellington: Māori Purposes Fund Board: Whitcombe & Tombs.

Assessment against this standard must consider local marae, whānau, hapū, or iwi variation with regard to the concepts covered in the standard.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Explain tikanga of the haukāinga in relation to kawe mate, in customary and contemporary contexts.

Range evidence from an affiliated marae and one other is required.

Performance criteria

1.1 Tikanga in relation to kawe mate is explained in a customary and contemporary context.

Range order of proceedings, karanga, whaikōrero, the placement of photographs and/or taonga.

1.2 Tikanga in relation to kawe mate is explained in terms of similarities and differences between customary and contemporary contexts.

Range evidence of two similarities and two differences is required.

Outcome 2

Explain tikanga practised by the tira kawe mate in relation to kawe mate, in customary and contemporary contexts.

Range evidence from an affiliated marae and one other is required.

Performance criteria

2.1 Tikanga in relation to kawe mate is explained in a customary and contemporary context.

Range order of proceedings, karanga, whaikōrero, the arranging of photographs and/or taonga.

2.2 Tikanga in relation to kawe mate is explained in terms of similarities and differences between customary and contemporary contexts.

Range evidence of two similarities and two differences is required.

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