

Title	Provide child-centred, trauma-informed care for a child or young person in care		
Level	3	Credits	6

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is intended for people whose activities bring them into contact with children or young people, or who work with children or young people in care.</p> <p>A person credited with this standard can, for a child or young person:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> describe child-centred, trauma-informed care; and provide child-centred trauma-informed care.
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Classification	Social Services > Care of Children and Young Persons
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Guidance Information

- 1 Range

Care settings may include – whānau, kin, and foster care; respite care; residential care.
- 2 Definitions

Approved agency is an agency approved under the Oranga Tamariki Act 1989 s396(8).

Carer is a person who is a custodial carer providing care for a child or young person from their own whānau or family, or a person who provides foster, respite, or residential care for a child or young person placed with them by an approved agency or the Ministry of Justice. In the context of this unit standard, carers do not include adoptive parents or birth parents.

Child means a person under the age of 14 years.

Young person means a person of or over the age of 14 years but under 18 years and has an extended meaning that includes some young adults for certain purposes under the Oranga Tamariki Act 1989 s386AAA.
- 3 Legislation relevant to this standard may include but is not limited to:

 - Care of Children Act 2004;
 - Children’s Act 2014;
 - Crimes Act 1961;
 - Family Violence Act 2018;
 - Family Proceedings Act 1980;
 - Human Rights Act 1993;
 - Oranga Tamariki Act 1989;

- Oranga Tamariki (National Care Standards and Related Matters) Regulations 2018;
- Privacy Act 2020;
- Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi.

4 References

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New Zealand. Ministry of Health/Manatū Hauora. (2020). *Treaty of Waitangi principles*. Available at <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/populations/maori-health/he-korowai-oranga/strengthening-he-korowai-oranga/treaty-waitangi-principles>.

New Zealand. Ministry of Social Development/Manatū Whakakiato Ora. (2020). *United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child*. Available at: <https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/monitoring/uncroc/>.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe child-centred, trauma-informed care for a child or young person.

Range description must include but is not limited to – strengths-based approaches, the rationale for working within the child or young person’s cultural context, how to participate in the development and implementation of a plan for the child or young person.

Performance criteria

1.1 The key features of child-centred, trauma-informed care are described in accordance with the Oranga Tamariki National Care Standards.

Range evidence must include but is not limited to – recreation, health, education.

Outcome 2

Provide child-centred trauma-informed care for a child or young person.

Range evidence must include but is not limited to – recreation, health, education.

Performance criteria

2.1 Positive guidance techniques are demonstrated that relate to the child or young person’s personal context.

- 2.2 Language is encouraging and honest, and at the level the child or young person understands.
- 2.3 Interaction with the child or young person incorporates the cultural context and needs of the child or young person.
- 2.4 The child or young person's voice (age appropriate) is actively encouraged and paramount in decisions that involve them.
- 2.5 Carer actions encourage a growing sense of belonging and/or connecting to a safe care setting.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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Registration	1	1 November 2018	N/A
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This CMR can be accessed at <https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Comments on this unit standard

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