

# Iwi community services standard

## Accreditation levels 2, 3 and 4

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### Introduction

The Social Sector Accreditation Standards were produced by the New Zealand Government for the accreditation of providers funded by government to deliver social services.

### Specialist standards

Specialist accreditation standards supplement the standards, to ensure providers can safely deliver specific services or programmes.

Under policy, Te Kāhui Kāhu may accredit an incorporated body established by its iwi to provide community services.

The iwi community service status recognises the specific mandate given to a provider by its iwi to deliver community services. Providers of iwi community services must meet the standards at the appropriate level, and the iwi community services standard for the services being delivered.

### Further information

All levels of the standards, including specialist standards, are periodically reviewed to ensure that content and references are up to date. To access the latest versions, or for more information about the accreditation process, visit [Te Kāhui Kāhu: Social Services Accreditation](#).

You can email Social Services Accreditation at: [accreditation@tekahuikahu.govt.nz](mailto:accreditation@tekahuikahu.govt.nz).

## Iwi community service

The organisation ensures it meets all requirements to operate as an iwi community service.

### 1. The organisation ensures it has agreement from its iwi to operate as an iwi community service provider.

**Guidance:**

An iwi community service provider has a current mandate from its iwi to operate and provide community services—and other related services—to children and young people.

This will be evidenced by:

- a formal, written mandate from the iwi authority for the iwi community service provider.