

Pūtahi Manawa has partnered with the Auraki Group to deliver their Māori Data Sovereignty Course alongside the 2026 Heart Health Forum. We are seeking applications from Forum attendees for this funded kaupapa.

Background

Pūtahi Manawa seeks to improve equity in heart health for Māori and Pacific Peoples through research excellence and precision medicine. This targeted grant, sitting within the Pūtahi Manawa Community Engagement funding stream, will support participants to understand, protect, and uphold Māori data sovereignty.

About the Heart Health Forum

The Heart Health Forum is funded by the Heart Foundation with support from Pūtahi Manawa and is aimed at early to mid career heart health researchers with a strong interest in heart health equity. The Forum is grounded in whanaungatanga and manaakitanga, with a focus on connection, collaboration, and shared learning alongside discussions on heart health.

About the Māori Data Sovereignty Workshop

Delivered by Naomi Manu (Auraki Group), this workshop explores the principles, practices and pathways for Māori data sovereignty, ensuring Māori have the authority to determine how Māori data is collected, managed, used and shared.

This workshop is grounded in Māori values and worldviews and we welcome applications from anyone that wants to work in ways that are respectful, ethical, and aligned to Māori data sovereignty.

YOU'LL LEARN TO



Understand the foundations of
Māori data sovereignty



Protect Māori data through
kaupapa Māori frameworks



Develop your own MDS
principles



Apply your own MDS principles
to your organisation

Meet the programme kaiwhakahaere



Naomi Manu MNZM

Rangitāne, Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Raukawa

Naomi is a co-founder of Auraki Group, and is a passionate strategist whose unapologetic promotion of Māori capability within STEM has been recognised globally.

Workshop format

The workshop begins with a two-hour introductory session explaining the Pōwhiri model, delivered by Naomi as part of the Heart Health Forum programme on **Wednesday 28 October**. This part of the Māori Data Sovereignty course is open to all attendees and there's no need to register. You must attend this session if you would like to attend the following day.

The following one-day workshop will further build upon the Pōwhiri model, exploring tirohanga Māori | a Māori perspective on data, including Data Sovereignty, Te Tiriti, and Mana-enhancing practice. You must register to attend this one-day workshop.

One-day workshop: Thursday 29 October, 8:30am-3pm.

Grafton Campus, Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland

Both sessions are kanohi ki te kanohi (in person) only.

Eligibility

Applicants must be registered for and attending the Heart Health Forum and must also be a Pūtahi Manawa member.

- To register for the Heart Health Forum please fill out and submit their form by following this [link](#). If you have any questions, please email heartforum@otago.ac.nz
- To apply for Pūtahi Manawa membership fill out our membership application form here - www.putahimanawa.ac.nz/membership.

Funding

Pūtahi Manawa will cover:

- Full workshop costs of \$1,000 per attendee up to 25 attendees
- Kai at the workshop

The Heart Health Forum and Pūtahi Manawa will jointly cover additional accommodation costs to stay in Tāmaki Makaurau for the extra day, if required.

Key dates

- Applications open: Now
- Applications close: Wednesday 5 August, 5pm
- 2 hour introductory session: Wednesday 28 October
- One-day workshop: Thursday 29 October, 8:30am – 3pm

* Applications should be submitted before your flights and accommodation for the Heart Health Forum have been booked. Please submit as early as possible for the best chance of a place on the workshop.

How to apply

You must be a Pūtahi Manawa member to apply for funding.

Please sign in to the member portal and go to "Funding Opportunities" from your dashboard, select the opportunity you are applying for and submit your application form and documents.

If you have any issues with accessing the portal or submitting your application, please contact putahimanawa@auckland.ac.nz

Do you have questions?

Email: putahimanawa@auckland.ac.nz