

**Understanding Policing Delivery:  
Tākātā Whaikaha, D/deaf and Disabled People**

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Tēnā Koe,

You are invited to register your interest in research about disabled people's experiences of Police.

**He aha te kaupapa o taua nei rakahau?**

What is this research about?

***Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou, ka ora ai tō tātou whānau***

*This whakataukī encapsulates the notion that while working in isolation might result in survival, working together as a whānau can take us beyond survival and onto prosperity.*

The New Zealand Police are working with a group of researchers to help them understand bias that occurs in policing. *Understanding Policing Delivery (UPD)* is an independent research programme that will help identify whether, where, and how much bias exists in the Police. The findings will help ensure Police policy and practice is fair and equitable to all, including for tākātā whaikaha, D/deaf and disabled people.

*Understanding Policing Delivery: Tākātā Whaikaha, D/deaf and Disabled People* is a standalone study within the wider UPD research project. A better understanding of disabled people's experiences will enable Police to address matters of equity and fairness, build legitimacy, deliver more equitable, inclusive and accessible Police services, support social cohesion and reduce harm for tākātā whaikaha, D/deaf and disabled people, their whānau, and our communities.

## **Mā wai e whakauru?**

Who can participate in this research?

In the first part of this research we want to talk to 20 disabled people who have experience with the Police. We want to talk to people about their experiences of being:

- stopped by the Police
- questioned by the Police
- arrested by the Police

All participants must be of or over the age of 18 and be able to provide informed consent to participate.

We may also talk to a small number of whānau and/or close supporters of disabled people who cannot provide informed consent on their own behalf. Whānau and close supporters will be asked to share their own personal reflections on the Police interaction (and not speak on the disabled person's behalf). Whānau and close supporters will be recruited through disability organisations specifically working with people with multiple and complex disabilities and their families.

## **Mē pēhea au i whakatapoko i taua nei kaupapa?**

What do I do if I want to register my interest?

To register your interest, please contact our research team and we will send you a Participant Interest Form.

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### **Kōrero Whakamārama**

We have chosen to apply the Kāi Tahu dialect when writing in te reo Māori. This means that the ng is replaced with a k (for example: whakarongo is changed to whakaroko).

We have underlined the k whenever this has been applied.