

2023 self-review of compliance with the Tertiary Education Code of Practice 2021

Three strategic goals relating to safety and wellbeing of students are visible on Blueprint's website:

1. Equipping people to support the wellbeing of themselves and others.
2. Providing a safe and supportive learning environment for some challenging topics.
3. An ongoing commitment to equity and belonging, as seen in our Kanorau Charter.

Blueprint for Learning has completed a gap analysis which identifies it is compliant with all aspects of this Code of Practice. It confirmed this at a meeting on 19 October 2023, where evidence supporting this was viewed.

- Participant evaluation comments for January – September include 70 entries describing the safe and supportive learning environment, 13 entries about supporting diversity and inclusion, 27 entries that participants felt heard and respected, and 6 related to people being supported if they felt distressed (116 in total). This is sufficient evidence to be confident facilitators are providing a safe and supportive learning environment.
- Blueprint meeting minutes showed that these things relevant to the Domestic Code were discussed: Including trauma-aware facilitation and tikanga in the facilitator symposium programme, adopting feedback from the symposium in areas that improve student safety and wellbeing, Rainbow 101 and Active Allyship training, coverage of first aid certificates and CPR training, providing venue defibrillator information, and considering how we might make more accessible learning resources.
- Facilitator self-review answers following delivering a workshop showed that in 56 % of Addiction 101 and 44 % of MH101 workshops participants spoke to facilitators about their wellbeing in the breaks.
- Self-review comments showed that facilitators were looking for signs of participant distress and responding appropriately if it occurred. A distress situation was described in 20 out of 140 Addiction 101 self-review forms (14 %), and in 97 out of 339 (29 %) MH101 self-review forms. Many situations related to the suicide topic which is only in MH101. Comments provided showed some quite complex situations and a wide range of responses by facilitators, across both online and in-person workshops.

This is sufficient evidence for Blueprint to be confident its facilitators are monitoring for distress and providing appropriate support if it arises for participants.

- The most recent MH101 Impact Evaluation's focus groups included a discussion of "*Whether you felt safe and your wellbeing was looked after in the workshop*". A summary of this discussion showed that learners felt supported by the facilitators and Host when attending training online, were continuously reminded to check in with Blueprint people if they needed to talk about anything, that the breaks helped to refocus after a heavy session, and opening and closing with a karakia was important in making things safe.