

Marae Digital Connectivity Programme

Digital Inclusion · Good practice · New Zealand

Quality score: 92/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Since 2019, New Zealand's NZD 24 million Marae Digital Connectivity Programme has connected 676 of 877 eligible marae to free broadband, Wi-Fi hardware and training, letting whānau living away join hui and access education, health and economic services online.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Innovation level	3/5
Sustainability (ongoing)	1/1
Evaluation evidence	1/1
Demonstrated reach	1/1
Documented learning	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-15

[Te Puni Kōwhiri \(Ministry of Māori Development\)](#) — accessed 2026-07-15

[National Infrastructure Funding and Financing – Marae Digital Connectivity Programme](#) — accessed 2026-07-15

[RNZ – Marae bridge digital divide through nationwide connectivity scheme](#) — accessed 2026-07-15

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