



# Research Project information Sheet

## Project title:

**Experiences of the Veterinary Sector from a Māori employer, employee or student perspective**

## Aim of the project

To understand the experiences of Māori staff and students of the veterinary sector in terms of cultural safety. By better understanding this it will be possible to help the veterinary sector to provide the experiences for Māori staff.

## Benefits of participation

By participating, your story as a veterinary sector staff member or student on work placement will help to shape how we understand the experience of Māori staff and students in the veterinary sector. The research and the outcomes will allow the veterinary sector to examine how they can better serve Māori within their individual practices.

## What types of participants are being sought and how will potential participants be identified and accessed?

This research aims to interview veterinarians, veterinary nurses, rural animal technicians and students training in these roles, who identify as Māori.

We will call for expressions of interest through membership association newsletters and social media channels and through education providers sharing the request for participants with Māori learners.

## What will my participation involve?

Participating in an interview, using an online format using Microsoft teams, or if unavailable by telephone. This will take approximately 1 hour of your time. The format is semi structured and there is no expectation to answer specific questions.

## How will confidentiality and/or anonymity be protected?

All information collected will be held on a secure server and kept confidential. Anything shared in the interview will be presented in a way that ensures the information is not able to be linked directly to individual participants.

## What data or information will be collected and how will it be used?

Results of this project may be published but any data included will in no way be linked to any specific participant.

You may request a copy of the final research paper, once complete by emailing [francesca.brown@op.ac.nz](mailto:francesca.brown@op.ac.nz).

## Data Storage

The data collected will be securely stored in such a way that the researchers will have access to it. At the end of the project any personal information will be destroyed. The information collected during the interviews will be retained without identifiers in secure storage for a period of seven years, after which it will be destroyed (unless agreed otherwise on the consent form).

## Can participants change their minds and withdraw from the project?

You can withdraw from the project at any time up until the interview theme analysis commences from 1 week after the interview. Once you have participated in the interview it will not be possible to withdraw your contribution once analysis occurs, however all data presented will be done so in a way that preserves anonymity.

## What if I have any questions?

If you have any questions about the project, either now or in the future, please feel free to contact: Francesca Brown on [francesca.brown@op.ac.nz](mailto:francesca.brown@op.ac.nz) or phone 0800 762 786.

Any additional information given, or conditions agreed to will be noted on the consent form.

Thank you for considering participating in my research and I look forward to working with you. Should you have any questions about my research please do not hesitate to contact me.

Nāku, nā

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