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Template 6: Treasury Assessment Template

Overview

Key Question/area	Comment/answer
Portfolio of lead Minister	Minister for Children
Portfolio(s) of other Ministers involved (if this is a joint initiative)	This initiative is part of a cross-agency investment package progressed by the Joint Venture for Family Violence and Sexual Violence. It is part of a number of bids seeking investment into specialist service responses for family violence and sexual violence
Votes impacted	Vote Oranga Tamariki
Initiative title	Sexual Harm Crisis Support Services for Children and Young People
Initiative description	This funding will support organisations to deliver age-appropriate sexual harm crisis support services for children, young people and their families/whānau. Crisis services provide immediate support and reduce the severity and longevity of the negative impacts of sexual harm, and promote the safety and wellbeing of the child or young person and their family, whānau and community. The funding will ensure 24/7 service availability, and that providers are more sustainably funded and able to meet current and expected demand for these services.
Type of initiative	Priority aligning
If this initiative relates to a priority, please outline the specific priority/ies it contributes to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing child poverty and improving child wellbeing, including addressing family violence Supporting mental wellbeing for all New Zealanders, with a special focus on under 24s
Does this initiative relate to a commitment in the Coalition Agreement, Confidence and Supply Agreement, or the Speech from the Throne?	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The Speech from the Throne, and Coalition agreement between the New Zealand Labour Party and the New Zealand First Party, include the following: "Family violence networks, including Women's Refuge and Shakti, will get more funding." The Government has made numerous public statements reiterating that addressing family violence is a priority in its work programme to improve the wellbeing of families and children, and to reduce the harm family violence causes in New Zealand.</p>
Agency contact	Michael Cummins, Business Manager, Partnering for Outcomes [39]
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Vote Analyst (VA) to complete	
Has the portfolio Minister identified at least 1% of current expenditure for prioritisation?	Yes
Overall RAG rating for initiative	Amber

Comment

This is a very strong initiative, with good evidence around how the proposed initiative will support health and wellbeing outcomes for children and young people. There is a clear understanding of demand. The intervention logic and wellbeing analysis is sound. More detail could be provided on implementation risks, and to understand the assumptions behind the costs. This initiative uses Oranga Tamariki's fair funding framework, ^[34]
[34]

[34] Support in full.

Funding recommended

Funding Sought (\$m)	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23 & outyears	TOTAL
Operating	[33]				
Funding Supported (\$m)	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23 & outyears	TOTAL
Operating	[33]				

Funding Sought (\$m)	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	TOTAL
Capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Funding Supported (\$m)	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	TOTAL
Capital ²	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

RAG rating

	Area to RAG-rate	Comment supporting choice in rating
Priority-alignment	Budget 2019 priorities	This initiative aligns strongly with the child wellbeing and mental wellbeing priorities. The initiative directly targets children and young people who are not eligible for adult sexual harm crisis support services currently provided by MSD, and is intended to support health and subjective wellbeing outcomes.
	CPC priorities	This initiative aligns with the priority of improving the wellbeing of New Zealanders in their families, in particular making NZ the best place in the world for children; and supporting healthier, safer and more connected communities.
	General Government direction/outlined in Government agreement document	The Speech from the Throne, and Coalition agreement between the New Zealand Labour Party and the New Zealand First Party, include the following: "Family violence networks, including Women's Refuge and Shakti, will get more funding." The Government has made numerous public statements reiterating that addressing family violence is a priority in its work programme to improve the wellbeing of families and children, and to reduce the harm family violence causes in New Zealand.
	Overall RAG-rating	

Intervention logic, evidence and wellbeing analysis	Intervention logic	This initiative presents a very clear intervention logic around how sexual harm crisis support services support short, medium and long-term wellbeing outcomes. The initiative is very well evidenced (particularly around mental health outcomes), and sets out a very clear rationale for why funding is required.
	Implementation readiness and evaluation	This initiative demonstrates a level of implementation readiness, setting out the focus for activity in each year. [33] [33], and risks of implementation.
	Wellbeing analysis	The initiative sets out very clearly how the expected outcomes of this initiative align with the primary and secondary wellbeing domains, and four capitals. The analysis is very well evidenced.
	Overall RAG-rating	

Cost understanding	Cost breakdown	While costs and associated assumptions have been provided, further detail is required to understand these.
	Scaling	Phased and scaled options are presented, with details of the implications. There is no detail around what the implications of a phased/scaled option would be for the wellbeing outcomes the initiative is intending to achieve.

	Overall RAG-rating	

Collaboration	Cross agency/cross-portfolio collaboration	This initiative clearly sets out what kind of bid has been submitted. An appropriate level of collaboration has been undertaken for this initiative. Good acknowledgement of need for this initiative to be joined up with sexual harm crisis support for adults bid submitted by MSD.
	Overall RAG-rating	

Additional notes on assessment

- This initiative could be scaled by only meeting the demand component of the bid, and not expanding the service.
- This initiative should be considered alongside the MSD bid for adult sexual harm crisis support services.
- This initiative has been costed using the Fair Funding Framework, which aims to fund NGOs at an FTE rate very close to the actual cost of delivery. ^[34]
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