Ten key aspects to consider in working well and inclusively across all areas of child wellbeing

Tips from Claire Achmad, CEO of <u>Social Service Providers Aotearoa</u> from Online Kōrero 8th November 2022.

1. Remember the value of working at the flax roots. Remember to identify the whole and see all the green shoots

2. See Rights as a platform for wellbeing of children and rangatahi. We need to fulfil their basic human rights of housing, mental health, and adequate standards across the board.

3. Prioritse children's rights in everything that we do- our systems, our policies, and our practices. Have a Childrens' Rights Approach

4. Ask and listen- engage with children, youth and whānau in this way and act on that. Be there for them in the positive and negative times.

5. Support our rangatahi leaders. Shoulder them and support them to thrive.

6. Te Taiao (the outdoors) is there for us and supports our wellbeing and the wellbeing of our mokopuna and whānau. Use that and be in te taiao together.

7. Use the strategies and frameworks that exist and involve community in them. Focus on the areas of the greatest need.

8. Embed the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy and the Social Sector Commissioning Action Plan- use these plans and ensure government do too.

9. Value the mātauranga that sits within the social services sector and support them.

10. Focus on the present and future- be aware of what we seed now intergenerationally.

