

MIHINUI



Mihi Keita Namana  
Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Porou, Te Arawa

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This meeting room has been named 'Mihinui' in honour of our kaiti Aunty Mihi Keita Namana, who retired after 20 years of service with the Wairarapa DHB October 2019. We want to honour Aunty and share in the privilege of her unveiling the new name for the room.

Mihi – a great welcome, acknowledgment

Nui – in this instance when added to Aunties name it signifies and pays tribute to her many widespread and meaningful accomplishments both inside the hospital and the wider community

Whānau – an accomplishment was the commandeering of the old CT Scanning building and one of the old Superintendents houses (formerly Child Adolescent Mental Health Services) at the time of the new building. Whilst others were running around putting their names on couches, chairs and fax machines – Aunty Mihi put her two post-it notes on these buildings.

She then asked the DHB Chair at the time to convert them into our hospital accommodation for whānau, family and support people and our Māori Health Directorate offices which they did.

These are now an enduring legacy to her foresight and many people have benefitted because of that.

