

Biography



Elizabeth Powell

Director for Pacific Development
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Elizabeth Powell joined Counties Manukau DHB in 2005 to lead a Government sponsored partnering programme with a number of Pacific Islands. She later took on the role as Director for Pacific Development.

With a background in Nursing and Health Management, Elizabeth has worked in challenging areas like Correctional Health where she was instrumental in setting up an inmate tattoo removal programme.

Her current role charges her with overseeing the implementation of Tupu Ola Moui - Pacific Health and Disability Action Plan 2006 – 2010 for Counties Manukau District Health Board.

Programmes include Lotu Moui - faith-based health initiatives, addressing family violence in Pacific families, growing the Pacific workforce to meet future need and cultural competency training. Born in Fiji, Elizabeth has a multi-ethnic background with Fijian, Samoan, Tongan and European heritage.