

Chelsea Edmonds

Kia Ora

My name is Chelsea, I'm 19 years of age. I'm a very sporty - outgoing person and will play almost anything. I have also received many awards for my sporting ability and received 2 scholarships at the age of 13 to attend high school and further my sporting education.

I have a very strong connection with my family and our culture. I am a very proud young Māori :) for me, having both English speaking parents I am not yet fluent in Te Reo Māori but it is a goal of mine that I am slowly achieving. I enjoy independent work as much as I enjoy being part of a team, I have performed in Kapa Haka roopu, starting at the age of 6 and I plan on keeping up with that as its also something I really enjoy participating in.

I made an enquiry to join the Whangarei NDHB consumer council because I know what it's like to not have my voice be heard in the medical world. I also have a strong urge to help people in any way that I possibly can.

I have a wide range of interests when it comes to the health side of things, some of which include:

- The care of our elderly people and the need for them to be heard.
- Our physically disabled and the need for them to be treated like a normal everyday being.
- Our pregnant women and the health of them and their unborn child/children.
- Our people who have become disabled from accidents and even those with brain injuries.
- If I'm given a chance to learn about some illnesses that I'm unaware of, I will jump at the opportunity to do so.

My main passion is children, I have two beautiful boys of my own (Tahjei` and Raniera). If given the opportunity I'd love to help find ways to help the care of our youth. They are our future