Advancing Maori Health and Equity

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There are persistent inequities for Māori in healthcare access, healthcare quality, and overall health outcomes compared with other non-Māori New Zealanders. Māori are less likely to access high quality healthcare, suffer a higher prevalence of chronic disease conditions, and recent evidence reports greater risk from COVID-19.

This presentation will outline potential pathways that advance health equity at the individual, whānau, and population level, through equitable health services and systems, and among the health workforce. It will highlight the influence of unconscious bias in clinical decision making, the principles of cultural safety, and the role of the health workforce in reflecting the populations it serves.