

Well Child Tamariki Ora programme

You and your child have the right to use the **free** Well Child Tamariki Ora service. The three parts of the service will support you to ensure your child grows and develops to their full potential:

1 Health and development assessments

Providing reassurance that your child is developing normally, through growth and development assessments; and informing you about other services to keep your child healthy.

2 Care and support for families and whānau

Supporting and helping you and your family/whānau to identify your needs as you care for your child, and linking you with community and other services.

3 Health education

Supporting you to gain the knowledge and skills to respond to your child's needs at the different stages of their development.

Different health professionals will see you and your child at different times		When
Lead Maternity Carer A Lead Maternity Carer is usually a midwife, but may also be an obstetrician or a general practitioner with additional training in caring for pregnant women and babies.		Birth
		24–48 hours
		First week
Transition of care from Lead Maternity Carer to Well Child provider During these weeks your care moves from the Lead Maternity Carer to a Well Child provider. Your Lead Maternity Carer provides you with a choice of Well Child providers in your area.	Lead Maternity Carer	2–6 weeks
	Well Child provider	4–6 weeks
General practitioner This assessment includes the 6-week immunisations, hip screening and vision check (as for the birth assessment).		6 weeks
Well Child provider A Well Child provider is usually a nurse who has additional training in supporting parents/caregivers to care for their babies and preschool children. The nurse may be employed by range of organisations including Plunket, a Māori Well Child Tamariki Ora provider, a Pacific Well Child Tamariki Ora provider, a general practice team, or a public health service. There may also be times when you and your baby will be seen by a general practitioner for a Well Child assessment.		8–10 weeks
		3–4 months
		5–7 months
		9–12 months
		15–18 months
		2–3 years
		B4 School Check

➔ For the schedule of immunisations, see page 15.