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**Note:** Contact the Service Specification Programme Manager, Service Commissioning, Ministry of Health to discuss proposed amendments to the service specifications and guidance in developing new or updating and revising existing service specifications.

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**TIER THREE SERVICE SPECIFICATION**

**MHCI37F, MHCI37S**

This tier three service specification for Peer Support Service for Children, Adolescent and Youth (the Service) must be used in conjunction with tier one Mental Health and Addiction Services, tier two Services providing consumer leadership and tier two Infant, Child, Adolescent and Youth service specifications.

**1. Service Definition**

The Service is peer support that provides:

* strength-based approach to help build resilience
* engagement with the Service User’s family and whānau
* links with age-appropriate peer support networks
* child, adolescent and youth friendly information
* support to access a range of community resources and social services
* informal individual and group activities may be included as part of a day programme.

**2. Service Objectives**

**2.1 General**

The Service provides age-appropriate peer support to children, adolescents and youth, tailored to suit the age of the Service User.

Where possible, the peer support worker will be similar in age to the Service User they are working with and the peer will themselves be a former or current child and adolescent mental health or addiction Service User.

**2.2 Māori Health**

Refer to the tier one Mental Health and Addiction Services service specifications.

**3. Service Users**

The Service Users are eligible children, adolescents and youth.

**4. Access**

**4.1 Entry Criteria**

Entry to the Service is by Service Users directly or on referral from the Child, Adolescent and Youth Mental Health or Addiction Service.

**5. Service Components**

**5.1 Processes**

The following processes apply but are not limited to: advocacy, assessment, and peer support.

**5.2 Settings**

This service is provided in a community based setting.

**5.3 Key Inputs**

The Service is provided by: peer support workers who will be assisted to access training relevant to their specific roles, which will include specific peer support qualifications / training.

Peer support workers should also have access to a range of supervision options, including peer supervision.

**6. Service Linkages**

Linkages include, but are not limited to the following:

| **Service Provider** | **Nature of Linkage** | **Accountabilities** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Other Child, Adolescent and Youth Services | Refer and Liaise | Maintaining connections with other services provided in the district to facilitate access to other services. Refer Service Users to appropriate services |

**7. Purchase Units and Reporting Requirements**

**7.1** Purchase Unit (PU) Codes are defined in the DHB and Ministry’s Nationwide Service Framework Purchase Units Data Dictionary. The following codes apply to this Service.

| **PU Code** | **PU Description** | **PU Definition** | **Unit of**  **Measure** |
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| MHCI37F | Peer Support Service for children and youth | Service providing appropriate peer support to children, adolescents and youth. The nature of the support is tailored to suit the age of the Service User. Service delivered by peer support workers assisted to access training to their specific roles | FTE |
| MHCI37S | Peer support service for children and youth | Service providing appropriate peer support to children, adolescents and youth. The nature of the support is tailored to suit the age of the service user. Service delivered by peer support workers assisted to access training to their specific roles | Service |

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| **Unit of Measure** | **Unit of Measure Definition** |
| FTE | Full-time equivalent staff member (clinical or non-clinical) involved in direct delivery of services to consumers. Exclude time that is formally devoted to administrative or management functions e.g. half-time coordination of a community team. |
| Service | Service purchased in a block arrangement uniquely agreed between the parties to the agreement |

**7.2 Reporting**

The Provider must comply with the requirements of national data collections: PRIMHD.

Additional information to be reported and the frequency of collection are specified by the Funder in the Provider Specific Terms and Conditions as agreed with the Service Provider.

The information required by the Funder will be sent to:

Performance Reporting

Sector Operations

Ministry of Health

Private Bag 1942

Dunedin 9054

Email [performance\_reporting@moh.govt.nz](mailto:performance_reporting@moh.govt.nz)

The Performance Monitoring Reporting tables for the Mental Health and Addiction Service Specifications[[1]](#footnote-1) may be used for performance monitoring if specified as agreed with the Funder.

1. Performance Monitoring Reporting cluster tables for Mental Health and Addiction Services are published on the Nationwide Service Framework Library, Mental Health and Addiction Service specifications page, Downloads section www.nsfl.health.govt.nz/service-specifications/current-service-specifications/mental-health-and-addiction-services [↑](#footnote-ref-1)