

Using external providers for the health education programme

A school can decide to consult external providers of services and resources to the health education programme. However they are not able to direct a school's education programme, and are in a school by invitation.

Guidance for engaging with external providers

To ensure that their services are appropriate, schools are encouraged to inform their external providers of their delivery statement and their programme overview.

An external provider should be able to demonstrate how its services, programmes, or resources reflect the vision, principles and values of the school's curriculum. It should also be able to show how it contributes to the health education programme in both content and method of delivery, and where its services and resources sit within the overall programme.

Schools could qualify the capability of external providers by providing the following questions which encourage them to ask about the school's consultation process, and how they can best support the school's health education programme.

- Provide a copy of the school's delivery statement. How do the services or programmes you offer reflect this?
- Where in the overall health education programme does your service or programme sit?
- How will you adapt your resources, delivery method, services, or programme to reflect the school's curriculum, and learner needs identified by the teacher?

For more information about engaging external providers that support health education visit <https://healtheducation.org.nz/resources/>