



# <u>Our terms of Operation</u> Nau mai haere mai ki Te Aranga Health

## Fees:

• Payment is required at the time of the consultation of service. There is a cost associated with providing quality service from our Practitioners and Nurses. This includes appointments (physical, phone and/or video).

## **Unpaid fees:**

- Unpaid fees/accounts are either text or mailed out the week following service
- If you would like to set up an automatic payment or a redirection of benefit you can do this with our account's administrator or reception team
- Payment is due 7 days from the receipt of notice
- If an account remains unpaid and no communication is made with the practice to discuss the debt, your account may be lodged with a debt collection agency, incurring additional costs associated with the debt recovery. This will also apply even if you transfer to another health care provider.

#### **Missed appointments:**

• A fee of \$10 will be charged if an appointment is missed without notification atleast 2 hours before your scheduled appointment. This includes telephone consultations. This applies to all patients over 18. If children regularly DNA we will apply this charge to their account.

#### New patients:

- For new patient enrolling at Te Aranga Health we require at least 5 working days to process this through the system and request your medical records in a timely manner.
- If we are experiencing long wait times for appointments for new patients, we can offer you a new patient appointment with one of our practice nurses. This appointment allows us to get a full history from you before you see a GP. It is important to note that registered nurses cannot dispense medications or generate prescription orders in these appointments without you seeing a GP first. This will be a 30 minute consultation which will cost \$19.50.

## Manaakitanga:

• As part of our practice values we care and respect for our patients and staff alike. To honour this we have a zero tolerance to any disrespectful behaviors to our staff. Patients who dishonor this may be asked to enrol elsewhere

I,	have read and agree to the Terms stated above
Signature	Date