

# Engaging outside agencies

Ideas to consider before engaging support for students from outside services and agencies.

- find out from parents and whānau whether they are already connected with outside agencies or programmes or have been in the past, and what their experience of these has been
- check with colleagues, especially the learning support team, to find out which services and agencies the school already has a relationship with and get some feedback on the effectiveness of the partnerships
- research possible options for support, so that you can make an informed contribution to discussions
- outline other possible options for support when you are discussing the specific needs of a student with their parents and whānau.

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