

How to make a referral

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Referral pads and brochures/posters are also available on request.



Meet the BIONIC2 team!

From left, research assistants Maddie Beaumont, Leah Haumaha, Sarah Wilson, Moray Carr; Assoc Prof Kelly Jones (Principal Investigator); study manager Jennifer Chua. Inset: Māori Cultural Liaison Officer Kay Berryman

The wider team

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What is the BIONIC2 study?

Kia ora / Talofa everyone - The BIONIC2 study aims to find out how many people have a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) each year, and about people's experiences of treatment and support at 3 and 12 months after the injury.

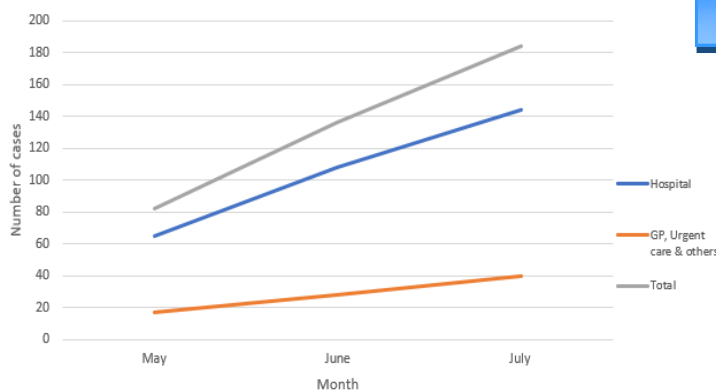
All residents of the **Hamilton & Waikato District Council areas**, who have a new TBI between **1st May 2021 to 30th April 2022** are eligible to take part. TBI is defined as "...an injury to the brain resulting from an external force" and should include **one or more** of the following symptoms: confused/dazed; loss of consciousness; or not remembering what happened.

Cases are identified via Waikato Hospital, medical centres and other health professionals, and self-referrals. In an effort to identify all TBI cases, cross checks will be undertaken with ACC, schools, rest homes, sports clubs, etc. in the study region.

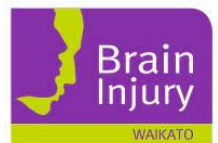
BIONIC2 Study Region



TBI identification to date



Thank you to the following supporting organisations!



To date, we have identified 184 TBI cases from May-July.

Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi
 With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive