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Tuia ki runga,	Unite above
Tuia ki raro	Unite below
Tuia ki roto	Unite without
Tuia ki waho	Unite within
Tuia ki te haere tangata	United as one
Ka rongo te pō	Listen to the night
Ka rongo te ao	Listen to the world of light
Haumi e hui e	Now we can come together
Taiki e!	Together as one!

In my role as Patron of Te Mauri Pimatisiwin (Journal of Indigenous Wellbeing), I would like to take a moment to reflect. In September 2023, Healing Our Spirit Worldwide (HOSW) The Ninth Gathering, brought together thousands of global Indigenous leaders, healthcare professionals and communities from around the world to share and celebrate the healing power of traditional Indigenous knowledge and cultures. The HOSW movement began its journey in 1992, along this pathway this journal was created and in 2006 the Native Counselling Services for Alberta (NCSA) took over the publication. In 2015 the NCSA and HOSW agreed to transfer the Pimatisiwin Journal to Te Rau Ora. It is indeed an honour to have this global taonga embraced on the shores of Aotearoa.

My professional life focuses on creating wellness opportunities for whānau (families) absorbed within the negativity of addiction and mental health struggles. It is through the skills and expertise of this specialised workforce that allows whānau to tap into their Wellness Journeys'. As a 'Lived-Experienced' professional I advocate for a workforce that listens to what whānau have to say, 'whānau voice', and then actualising it. Research shows that listening to the true intent of clients/whānau can be hindered by your own personal issues. There are workforce development training opportunities that allow for this correction to take place for practitioners.

I want to acknowledge Te Rau Ora and the other contributors to this edition for providing a range of innovative workforce experiences, targeting the best opportunities to raise the professional skill base encompassed within the Korowai o Tikanga Māori (Cloak of Correct Māori ways).

This edition of Te Mauri Pimatisiwin focuses on indigenous models of workforce development which I hope you will find enlightening.

Me whai rā pai!

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