





What does an Enabling Good Lives Kaitūhono / Connector do?



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About this document



This Easy Read document is about the **role** of an **Enabling Good Lives** Kaitūhono / Connector.



We will talk more about what the Kaitūhono / Connector does on **pages 3 to 4** of this document.



A role:

- is another word for a job
- says what kind of things someone does in a job.

Enabling Good Lives



Enabling Good Lives is a different way of thinking about disability support.

Enabling Good Lives is about having:

- choice and control in your life
- the support you need and want.



Enabling Good Lives is sometimes called **EGL** for short.



You can find out more about EGL in this Easy Read document:

https://tinyurl.com/2p8x3fz8

What does the Kaitūhono / Connector do?



The Kaitūhono / Connector is someone who works with EGL to support the needs of disabled people and their whānau.



They do this by connecting people with:

- support services
- their community.



The Kaitūhono / Connector listens to disabled peopl and their whānau to find out what they:

- want
- need.



The Kaitūhono / Connector does not tell disabled people and their whānau what to do.



The Kaitūhono / Connector knows it is important that disabled people are part of a community that:

- supports them
- they feel supported by.



The Kaitūhono / Connector is well connected which means they know lots of different people / support services in the community.



They use this knowledge to better support disabled people and their whānau.

What makes a good Kaitūhono / Connector?



The Kaitūhono / Connector has a **good relationship** with the people they are supporting.

A good relationship is when people:

- work well together
- like / get on with each other
- have the same kinds of ideas.



The Kaitūhono / Connector will not try to change your mind about the things you want / think.



The Kaitūhono / Connector can support you to think about how you want to live a good life.

The Kaitūhono / Connector is an **ally** to the people they are supporting.



An **ally** is someone who gives other people:

support

advice.



An ally is also a person who speaks up for others.

The Kaitūhono / connector always acts in a way that puts disabled people and their whānau first.



The Kaitūhono / Connector is someone you can **trust**.



Trust means that someone is:

- good / safe to talk to
- will always act / do things in a way that supports you.

The Kaitūhono / Connector will also:

- explain things in a way that makes sense to you
- support you to think about all the choices you have
- encourage you to make big plans for the **future**.

The **future** is a time that has not yet happened.









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