

Wednesday 10 September

8:30am	Registration, grab a kawhe
9:30am	Mihi Whakatau, welcome from host
10:00am	Opening address and Q&A Hon Louise Upston
10:20am	Morning kai break
10:50am	Keynote kaikōrero Qiane Matata-Sipu
11:20am	Keynote kaikōrero Hon Willow-Jean Prime
11:40am	Inspiration and Wellness
12:15pm	Midday kai break
1:15pm	Panel kōrero Measuring What Counts: Donna Provost, Andrew Coster, Angie Tangaere
2:15pm	Keynote kaikōrero Dr Sneha Lakhotia
3:00pm	Afternoon kai break
3:30pm	Māori Caucus: Kaye Maree Dunn Concurrent session: Dr Nicola Atwool



Whakamanawa 2025

The National Social Services Conference
10 & 11 September 2025, Rotorua Energy Events Centre

with Michèle A'Court - Conference MC

Indicative programme at-a-glance

Whakawhanaungatanga Event Wednesday 10 September 5 - 6pm

A time to catch up, celebrate and relax in
the company of friends and colleagues
from across our social sector.

*Your ticket to this event is included in your conference
registration.*

Thursday 11 September

8:30am	Welcome to Day 2
8:45am	Wellness exercise
9:00am	Workshops: 5 concurrent streams
10:00am	Morning kai break
10:30am	Workshops: 5 concurrent streams
11:30am	Workshops: 5 concurrent streams
12:15pm	Midday kai break
1:00pm	Keynote kaikōrero Hon Karen Chhour
1:15pm	Panel kōrero: Emma Powell, Hon Marama Davidson, Andrew Bridgman
2:15pm	Rangitahi panel kōrero Led by Dr Claire Achmad
3:15pm	Closing words of thanks Te Pai Ora SSPA co-chairs Karakia whakamutunga
3:45pm	Conference close

*Full Programme to be published prior to the
Conference. Programme subject to change.