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# ADDICTIONS & MENTAL HEALTH

2017 ANNUAL RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM  
SUPPLEMENTARY WORKSHOP A

Tuesday 13 June

10.00am – 12.00pm

Tāmaki Campus, University of Auckland

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## Pacific Research Forum

Co-facilitators:

Associate Professor Vili Nosa, University of Auckland  
Dwayne Faletanoai, Tupu Service

TUESDAY 13 JUNE

University of Auckland Tāmaki Campus, 261 Morrin Road, Glen Innes

10.00am - 12.00pm

Registration from 09.45am outside the Function Hall, Building 730.

Register at [www.aodcollaborative.org.nz](http://www.aodcollaborative.org.nz) from Friday 5 May



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Please join us at this facilitated discussion to explore research opportunities and interests to support MH&A services for Pacific peoples in Counties Manukau.

Our facilitators will provide a brief overview of recent research in this area and will then lead a discussion on research needs and interests to support mental health and addiction services for Pacific people living in Counties Manukau.

The Pacific Research Forum is an opportunity for people working in Counties Manukau and interested in undertaking research to support MH&A service development to come together to

- Start conversations around research that might be useful to support services for Pacific people living in Counties
- Learn about different research methods and potential support
- Discuss next steps to progress research ideas.

We hope this meeting will seed further conversations about the development of research to support services for Pacific people in Counties Manukau.



**Associate Professor Vili Nosa** is of Niuean descent. He is currently Head of the Department of Pacific Health at the University of Auckland.

Vili has a BA in Education & Sociology, MA (Hons) in Sociology, and a PhD in Behavioural Science from the University of Auckland. His PhD thesis researched the perceptions and use of alcohol among Niuean men living in Auckland. He is the first Niuean to graduate with a PhD.

His academic and scholarly interests include Pacific health issues in New Zealand and the Pacific region. Vili's specialist research area is in addictions, alcohol, tobacco and substance abuse.



**Dwaine Faletanoai** is of Samoan descent. He is a DAPAANZ Registered Alcohol and Drug Practitioner and an Accredited Clinical Supervisor for Tupu – Pacific Alcohol and Drug & Gambling Service. He has nine years' experience on the front lines of the AOD sector in Youth Work.

Dwaine holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree, Post Grad Certificate (HSc), Post Grad Diploma (HSc), Certificates in Pastoral and Biblical Counselling and a Certificate in Supervision (Human Science). He serves in a dual role as the Youth Co-ordinator and Counties Manukau Youth Clinician for Tupu Service; and represents Tupu in Counties Manukau Youth AOD Collaborative and Suicide Prevention Forum.

Dwaine is currently studying towards his Master of Health Science with a focus on Health Management, at the University of Auckland.