

# Introducing the new Code

Update and Q+A with NZQA

Quality Assurance Division, NZQA

### This session will cover...









### The new Code in a nutshell

The Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners)
Code of Practice 2021:

- Builds on, combines and replaces existing codes,
- Effective from 1 January 2022,
- Applies to:
  - all registered Tertiary education providers, and
  - Signatories to the current international Code
- Sets requirements for learner wellbeing and safety, and
- Monitored by NZQA as Code Administrator.



# Why a new Code?

#### An opportunity to:

- Streamline requirements in one place
- Build on learnings from existing codes
- Support more equitable outcomes for diverse learners
- Respond to recent events
- Heighten student wellbeing as a precondition to student success





#### The Code and Te Tiriti

- Under Te Tiriti, government has an obligation to ensure that the system of supports for learner wellbeing and safety works well for Māori
- The Code requires providers to foster safe and inclusive learning environments that support learner participation and engagement.
- NZQA will work with Māori stakeholders to support sector cultural capability building.





### What's new about the new Code?

- Whole-of-provider approach, that heeds learner voice
- New and strengthened requirements for:
  - inclusive learning environments
  - staff training and support
  - protections for learners making complaints and resolving disputes
  - consistency within and across providers when responding to emergencies
- Some new requirements for student accommodation and for international providers



### A clear structure

1. Scope 2. Definitions 3. Organisational 4. Wellbeing and 6. International tertiary 5. Student structures safety practices for all learners (5) for whole-of-provider accommodation (3) learners (2) approach (2) 7. International school learners (10) 8. Code Administrator

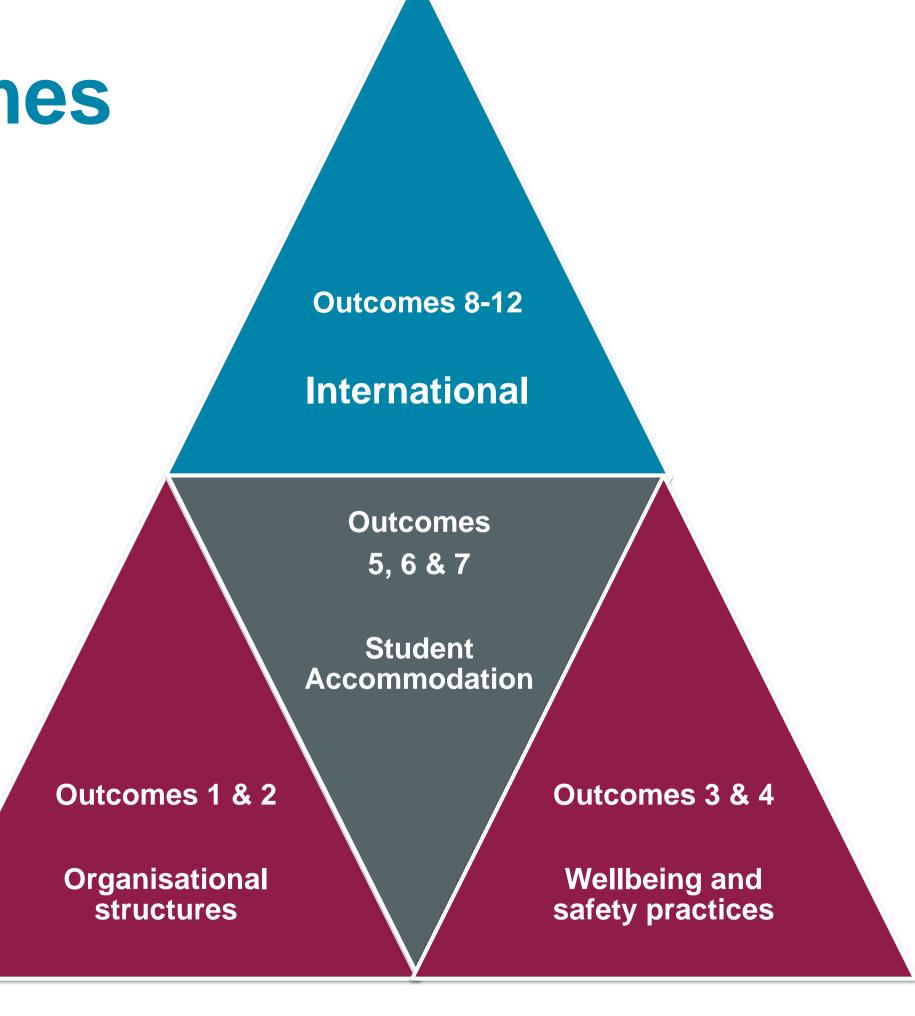


The 12 Tertiary outcomes

**Everyone (2) + (2)** 

Only if student accommodation (3)

Only if international students (5)





## The 12 tertiary outcomes

**Outcome 1: Learner wellbeing and safety system** 

**Outcome 2: Learner voice** 

Outcome 3: Safe, inclusive, supportive and accessible physical and digital learning environments

**Outcome 4: Learner wellbeing and safety** 

Outcome 5: A positive, supportive and inclusive environment in student accommodation

Outcome 6: Accommodation, administrative practices and contracts

**Outcome 7: Student accommodation facilities and services** 

Outcome 8: Responding to the distinct wellbeing and safety needs of international tertiary learners

Outcome 9: Prospective international tertiary learners are well informed

Outcome 10: Offer, enrolment, contracts, insurance and visa

Outcome 11: International learners receive appropriate orientations, information and advice

Outcome 12: Safety and appropriate supervision of international tertiary learners



# What are tertiary providers expected to do?

What	When	Expected provider action	Formal NZQA Requirements
Get ready	Sept-Dec '21	Review current practice Get ready to update and upskill	
Get steady	Jan-June '22		
	July '22 onwards		

NB: There are no further formal requirements for the existing Codes (only EER and student accommodation monitoring).



## How we'll support you



#### Communication

Code News
Information sessions
Sector advisory groups
Co-development
2022 Code administrator plan



#### Tools

Mapping tool
Gaps analysis tool
User-friendly versions of the
Code



#### Guidelines

Broad starting point Increasingly tailored



# Capability building

New Code 101 Increasingly tailored workshops



# What role can learners play?

- The new Code exists to support learners' wellbeing and success
- Learners have a role in:
  - holding their providers to account and
  - contributing to the development of learner wellbeing and safety practices.
- To do this, learners need to know the Code!
- '#Know the Code' campaign on social media





### Save the date!

What?	When?
Publish mapping and gaps analysis tools	October 2021
Publish new guidelines	Mid-November 2021
New Code 101 workshops	November - December
Pastoral care survey	3 December 2021
New Code comes into effect	1 January 2022
Ongoing capability-building activities	January-June 2022
Formal monitoring commences	July 2022



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