Grant report

Instructions

Thank you for completing your funded initiative.

This form will be placed on our website for transparency and enables us to understand and share the work you have done through this grant.

Please complete and submit this form no later than the date stipulated in your funding agreement. If you cannot meet the deadline, contact us to arrange an alternative date by emailing funding@internetnz.net.nz. You may not be eligible to apply for further grants from InternetNZ if this is not submitted.

The completion of this form should be overseen by someone with intimate knowledge of the funded mahi.

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Grant initiative update

Initiative title *
Digital access, inclusion and equity for health for MELAA women

**Provide a short summary of the work that was completed as part of this initiative.
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This project explored digital health access, inclusion, and equity for women from Middle Eastern, Latin American and African (MELAA) communities. The proposed research was completed with the findings providing a stepping stone to better understanding the challenges women from these communities have accessing the internet to support their health and identifying opportunities for advancing digital health in Aotearoa New Zealand (hereafter Aotearoa NZ).

The project had three arms.

• The first arm was a scoping review of the literature exploring how women from different ethnic groups in Aotearoa NZ, access and utilise digital health technologies, a relatively understudied area. The protocol for this scoping review has been published, and a draft of the findings from the review is being prepared.

• The second arm aimed to explore this topic further with stakeholders from the health sector and community organisations working with women from MELAA communities in Auckland. Ten participants were interviewed in these key informant interviews.

• The third arm aimed to include the voices and experiences of women from MELAA communities. 13 women participated in the prepared focus group discussions.

A summary report outlining the key findings will be shared with stakeholders at a community and stakeholder dissemination hui. The findings from this project will contribute to the preparation of two journal articles to be submitted in peer-reviewed journals. They will also be submitted to the Centre for Asian and Ethnic Migrant Health Research Symposium in Auckland in September 2024 and the Digital Health Week in Hamilton in December 2024.
Describe the "who, what, where and when" of your initiative.

Is this initiative complete? *

⦿ Yes ○ No

If your initiative is still in progress, select "no."

What are the outcomes of this initiative? *

- A better understanding of how the internet is used to support the health of women from MELAA communities.

- A better understanding of the facilitators and barriers to this use of the internet by women from MELAA communities.

- The project offered a platform for women from MELAA communities to share their voices and experiences using the internet to support their health.

- Two manuscripts.

- An infographic that will be shared with the communities and stakeholders.

Describe major achievements resulting from this grant.

Which population group/s were affected by this project or program? *

Ethnic and racial groups > People of African descent

Ethnic and racial groups > People of Latin American descent

Ethnic and racial groups > People of Middle Eastern descent

Gender groups > Females

Social and economic status > Immigrants and migrants

Please choose only the group/s that were at the very core of this project/program.

If you have any supporting documentation, you can share it below.

This could include photos, surveys, feedback, your evaluation plan, published research or annual report.

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Upload files:
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Provide web link:
https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.10456965ld
Must be a URL.

Financial report

Budget

Provide details of funds received and spent in relation to this grant.

Income	$	Expenditure	$

Grant	$10,000.00	Research staff	$6,214.00
	$	Travel and conferences	$235.00
	$	Consummables	$3,551.00
	$		$

Budget Totals

Total Income Amount

$10,000.00
This number/amount is calculated.

Total Expenditure Amount

$10,000.00
This number/amount is calculated.

Income - Expenditure

$0.00
This number/amount is calculated.

Have you experienced any issues with your intended budget? If so, please explain reasons for any major variances or for providing incomplete information:
No

Feedback

You are almost at the end of your final report. Before submitting, please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

Please tell us how you found the reporting process:
○ Very easy   ◉ Easy   ○ Neutral   ○ Difficult   ○ Very Difficult

How many minutes in total did it take you to complete this form?
45 minutes.
Estimate in minutes (i.e. 1 hour = 60 minutes)

Do you have any feedback?
It was a pleasure working on this project. We appreciate the fund as it has enabled us to understand the experiences of women from MELAA communities with digital health access, inclusion and equity.

For example, feedback on the evaluation toolkit if you used it, the process of working with InternetNZ or anything else.

InternetNZ is a membership organisation. Would you be interested in hearing more about becoming a member?
○ Yes please   ◉ No thanks   ○ I am already a member