

# What the circles represent

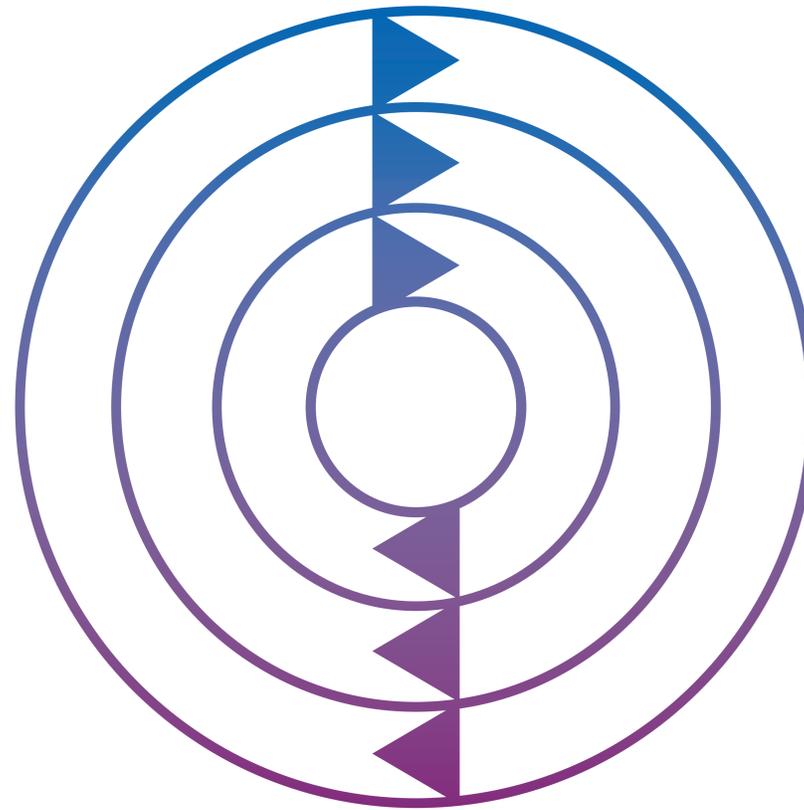
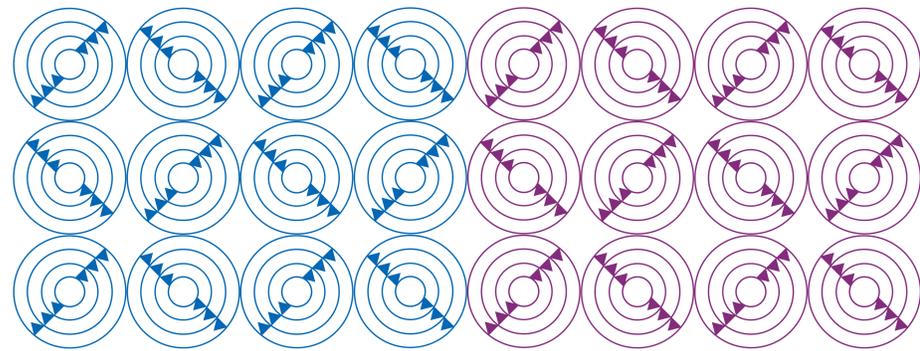
Four concentric circles inside to outside

**tamariki** | child  
CENTRE RING

**whānau** | family  
SECOND RING

**kura** | school  
THIRD RING

**hapori** | community  
OUTER RING



# What the triangles represent

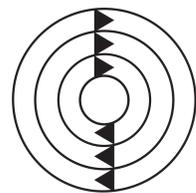
Niho Taniwha weaves the circles together. The mahi of the social worker is embedded inside this pattern as it moves through and between all four concentric circles

**Niho**  
(teeth) represent strength, determination and resilience, which is nourished by 'feeding' on knowledge

**Triangle**  
in the art world the triangle is often used to depict the female element (the womb, nurture, parental responsibility, care, safety)

**Taniwha**  
(spirit) represents chiefs or guardians, whom may appear as signs and messages of care and wellbeing

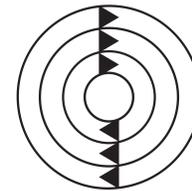
**Apex points**  
of the triangle niho shape represent aspiration, which is enhanced through the skill of social worker practice



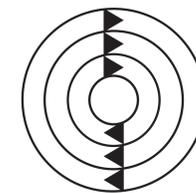
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