

**Title:** Tau Fifine Fiafia (Niuean Women and Alcohol)

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Many of our Pacific women in New Zealand are drinking harmful amounts of alcohol and are catching up to the drinking habits of Our Men. I wanted to voice out the concerns through the stories of the Niuean women who bravely shared their experiences of drinking alcohol through the Niuean born and NZ Born Niuean women in Auckland.

***Lead presenter - Josephine Gray;** I am from the Village of Hakupu Atua from home island of Niue, My GRANDPA is Niuean/Palagi and My GRANDMA is Samoan/Chinese/German, married to a Samoan and my background are in Youth worker, cleaning motels/hotels, community worker, social worker skills, sister and aunty background; have worked in the Alcohol and Drug field for 10 years and gambling sector for 4 years as a Clinician ,currently service team leader of Tupu Alcohol and Drug/ Gambling Services, Auckland. Graduated with a Masters in Health Science in 2006 from Auckland University. I am also a DAPAANZ registered Alcohol and Other Drug Practitioner for 2008.*