

# Kaitiaki pēpi

## Te tapa ingoa

Traditionally, whānau members held the right to name the child. Naming pēpi can be regarded as a serious matter by whānau Māori.

A new pēpi presents an opportunity for whānau to celebrate the continuity of their whakapapa and to choose a name for pēpi that signifies an important event or landmark, or to remember someone who has recently passed.

