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Kia Ora, Bula Vinaka, Malo lelei, Talofa, and Pacific Greetings to all Pacific Health Dialog friends and readers!

We are nearly there with the production of Pacific Health Dialog. We had mentioned time and time again that we are trying our best to catch up with the issues. We are hoping to have published the back issues pretty soon to enable us to be on track. So hopefully by the end of 2010 we can hoist the flag of Pacific Health Dialog and be proud that we have achieved on time and continue with the specific goal of timely publications.

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- Discuss models of Health Promotion for Pacific people
- Discuss community development for Pacific people
- Discuss the principles and processes of Pacific health research

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