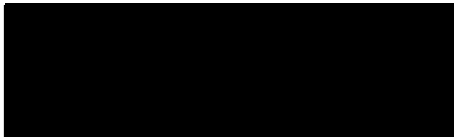




4 October 2018



Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Official Information Act (1982) request – Number of Māori providers and criteria for an organisation to be considered as a Māori provider

I write in response to your Official Information Act request, which we received on 19 September 2018. The request was a partial transfer from the Ministry of Health, under section 14 of the Act. The Ministry of Health advised all DHBs that you had requested the following information, which they believed DHBs were best placed to provide a response to:

(i) What criteria is used by the MoH and District Health Boards (DHBs) to determine if an organisation meets criteria to be considered (and funded as) a Māori provider?

(ii) How many Māori providers funded by MoH and/or DHBs are there nationally? Please provide a list of these.

For the Auckland and Waitemata DHB (ADHB/WDHB) catchments, we advise the following response:

We apply the Ministry of Health (MoH) criteria for the Māori Provider Development Scheme (MPDS) to define a Māori provider. Further information on the scheme and those Māori Health providers who receive funding under the scheme is described on the MoH webpage:

<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/populations/maori-health/maori-health-providers>

The definition for the MPDS is:

“Funding under the MPDS for regional Māori health and disability providers is only available to health providers or health organisations that are owned or operated by iwi, and or Māori organisations”.

In order to be eligible for MPDS funding, the Ministry of Health states applicants must be either:

- an existing Māori health provider or Māori organisation which has contracts with the Ministry of Health and/or District Health Board.
- an existing Māori health provider or Māori organisation that is in the process of negotiating a contract with the Ministry of Health and/or District Health Board; or
- part of a joint venture with a Māori health provider.

Auckland & Waitemata DHBs currently have the following Māori health providers operating in their area:

ADHB Providers

- Piritahi Hau Ora Trust
- Ngati Whatua o Orakei Health Clinic Ltd
- Te Hononga O Tamaki me Hoturoa
- Mahitahi Trust

WDHB Providers

- Te Runanga O Ngati Whatua
- HealthWEST Limited
- Te Whanau o Waipareira Trust
- Te Kotuku ki te Rangi Charitable Trust
- Te Puna Hauora o Te Raki Paewhenua

Nationally funded providers

- Hoani Waititi Marae
- Hapai te Hauora Tapui Limited
- Taikura Trust
- National Hauora Coalition Limited
- Te Rau Matatini

In July 2017, the Ministry of Health released a report, "Funding to Māori health providers by the Ministry of Health and District Health Boards (DHBs), 2011/12 to 2015/16", which is now available on its website.

For further information, our most recent ADHB/WDHB Māori Health Plan is publicly available: <http://www.adhb.health.nz/assets/Documents/About-Us/Planning-documents/2017-18-Maori-Health-Plan-Auckland-and-Waitemata-DHBs.pdf>

I trust that this information meets your requirements. Waitemata DHB, like other agencies across the state sector, supports the open disclosure of information to assist the public's understanding of how we are delivering publicly-funded healthcare.

This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released.

If you feel that there are good reasons why your response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider this.

Yours sincerely



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