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Tēnā koe Anthony

Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-013318

Thank you for your email of 9 August 2021, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Please supply the report mentioned in this paragraph...

"This memorandum refers to and includes a link to a report, the External Medical Panels Post Implementation Review (June 2018). We have not included that report as it does not include ACC's recommendation to disestablish the Panel. Therefore, we do not consider that it is within the scope of your request."

On 6 September 2021, we wrote to you advising that due to the need for consultation we were extending the timeframe for our decision on your request to 4 October 2021. We have now completed our consultation work, and our decision is to withhold the report in full.

We consider that withholding this information is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions to employees of an organisation in the course of their duty. This decision is made under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act.

We have considered the public interest in the information withheld and are of the view it does not outweigh the interests being protected.

How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can email me at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz.

If you are not happy with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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