

7 June 2023

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By email: [REDACTED]
Ref: H2023025009

Tēnā koe Campbell

Follow-up response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) on 9 May 2023.

On 1 June 2023, you received a response to the request below:

Can you please tell me the result of the last three yearly review of cost recovery undertaken by the Minister of Health as per the requirement in s94 of the PSA 2013.

Can you please also advise me regarding the Ministry of Health account(s) or other account that the activities of the Psychoactive Substances Regulatory Authority, Psychoactive Substances Expert Advisory Committee and support staff (working for them on related tasks) are paid from e.g.. Funded by 3rd Party charges under the PSA, funded from the Memorandum account, funded from MoH baseline funding, Funded from new Crown funding, funded from Regulatory and Health Emergency Response etc etc

After receiving your response, you replied and noted that you had made an amendment to this request after receiving your acknowledgment on 9 May 2023. You advised that your amended request was the following (bold added for emphasis of amended part of the request):

*Can I please have **copies of the all of the results** of the three yearly reviews of cost recovery undertaken by the Minister of Health as per the requirement in s94 of the PSA 2013 since the commencement of the Act.*

Can you please provide confirmation regarding the Ministry of Health account(s) or other account that the activities of the Psychoactive Substances Regulatory Authority, Psychoactive Substances Expert Advisory Committee and support staff (working for them on related tasks) have been paid from since the commencement of the Act, broken down by year, or years as required e.g.. Funded by 3rd Party charges under the PSA, funded from the Memorandum account, funded from MoH baseline funding, Funded from new Crown funding, funded from Regulatory and Health Emergency Response etc etc

We apologise for misquoting your request in your previous response letter. As we stated in our email on 2 June 2023, there has never been a review of cost recovery since the commencement of the Psychoactive Substances Act 2013, due to the low level of activity under the Psychoactive Substances legislation.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: oiagr@health.govt.nz.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Manatū Hauora website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Nāku noa, nā



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