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Ref: AVOIA2023-244

Tēnā koe Sam

## Response to your Request for Official Information

Thank you for your request made on the 8 August 2023 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for the following:

*Can I please ask, under OIA, total number of permanent employees and total number of contractors currently working for the Office of the CE of Te Whatu Ora and in what sub groups. Please give a table with role levels i.e. how many Admin/coordinators, Advisors, Sr. Advisors, Principles/chief, managers/leads etc and whether they are permanent or temps.*

*I am also requesting the total cost spent on contractors in the same directorate/group between 1 Jan 2023 and 31 July 2023.*

*Are you aware of what development is available to the permanent staff members to get higher roles instead of getting new temp people in. Did you get any briefing on that by Te Whatu Ora CE?*

I have considered your request under the Act.

The following part of your request is more closely connected with the functions of Te Whatu Ora – Health New Zealand:

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*I am also requesting the total cost spent on contractors in the same directorate/group between 1 Jan 2023 and 31 July 2023.*

Accordingly, this part of your request was transferred to Te Whatu Ora on 10 August 2023. You can expect a response from Te Whatu Ora in due course.

In relation to the third part of your request, I can advise that I have not received any briefings by the Te Whatu Ora CE regarding the development of permanent staff members to attain higher roles, in lieu of recruiting temp resources. Your request for this information is refused under section 18(e) of the Act as this information does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

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

Naku noa, nā



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