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Tēnā koe Anthony

Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-008999

Thank you for your email of 11 February 2021, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

1. *Please provide years in which Accident Compensation Corporation accredited providers were not required to be in Private Practice in order to Provide Report's and/or Opinions*
2. *Please provide copy contract previous to this change a Provider would be required to abide by*

ACC's contracts with treatment providers do not refer to private practice

There is no reference to 'private practice' (or any similar term) in ACC's contracts with suppliers of clinical services. We do not believe there has ever been a requirement in our contracts about working in a private practice. For this reason, we are refusing your request in full as the information does not exist or cannot be found. This decision is made under section 18(e) of the Act.

We understand your reference to 'private practice' originates from a response we provided to you in 2010. We used that term for describing the individual circumstances of a provider, which we considered were relevant to our decision to refuse some payment information of that provider. However, whether someone is in private practice (or not) is not a condition or requirement within the contracts that ACC has with suppliers of clinical services.

Questions about our response

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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