

5 May 2017

Mr David Lawson
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Dear Mr Lawson

Official Information Act Request

I refer to your email of 20 April 2017, asking for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You referred to an "ACC Health Purchasing Master Agreement (Version 2) titled AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES BETWEEN ACCIDENT COMPENSATION CORPORATION AND {DHB NAME] FOR Organisational Terms and Conditions (Part 1) Service Schedule(s) (Part 2)", and requested the following information:

- 1) *It would be appreciated if you could confirm under the Official Information Act as to when (Month and Year) that this contract (Version 2) came into force.*
- 2) *I would also appreciate you making available to me a copy of the equivalent referred ACC Health Purchasing Master Agreement between ACC and DHB's that was in force as at 1 January 2012, and all subsequent updates to the Master Agreement's for DHB's through until present day.*
- 3) *I welcome the provision a copy of the ACC Health Purchasing Master Agreement between ACC and Waitemata District Health Board that was in force as at 1 January 2012, and copies of all subsequent updates to said Agreement/s through until present.*
- 4) *I welcome the provision a copy of the ACC Health Purchasing Master Agreement between ACC and Auckland District Health Board that was in force as at 1 January 2012, and copies of all subsequent updates to said Agreement/s through until present.*

On 23 April 2017, you refined your request, to the following, so that the information may be provided to you at an earlier date:

"I am willing to accept copies of the specific contracts under requests 2). - 4). of my letter dated 20 April 2017, that were in force as at the 1 January 2012, 1 July 2014, and 1 July 2016".

Our response

We are unable to advise the month and year the *Master Agreement (Part 1) Version 2 (the Agreement)* came into effect. However, we can confirm that the Agreement first appears in our records in the 2004/2005 financial year as being in effect at that time. In line with section 18(e) of the Act, we are not able to provide the exact month and year the Agreement came into effect, as despite reasonable efforts to locate it, it cannot be found.

This Agreement outlined the general terms and conditions across all services and covered all District Health Boards (DHBs). The Agreement was also in force at 1 January 2012. It was replaced with a 'Contract for services between ACC and suppliers' on 1 July 2014. This contract was updated on 1 April 2016 and is still current today. Copies of the 2014 and 2016 standard contracts are attached.

Queries or concerns

If you have any questions about the information provided, you can contact us at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz or in writing to Government Services, PO Box 242, Wellington 6140.

You also have the right to complain to the Office of the Ombudsman if not satisfied with the information provided. You can call them on 0800 802 602 between 9am and 5pm on weekdays, or write to *The Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143*.

Yours sincerely

Government Services