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Tēnā koe Anthony

Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-001481

I refer to your email of 04 September 2019, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Please supply Information/Contract copy that allows:

- 1. an ACC funded Clinician to Provide the ACC with Assessments whilst having a Closed Private Practice (as of to date and earlier possible researchable time)*
- 2. an ACC funded Clinician to Provide the ACC with Assessments whilst in the ACC being their Sole Source of Income (as of to date and earlier possible researchable time)*

Based on previous requests you have made, we understand that 'closed private practice' refers to medical assessors whose private practice is closed to the general public because they provide their services to ACC exclusively. Therefore, their sole source of income is from ACC work.

ACC contractual requirements of treatment providers are publicly available

ACC funds assessments under the Accident Compensation Act 2001 (the AC Act). This legislation sets out the requirements that Medical Assessors must meet. In particular, sections 93 and 94 of the AC Act specify criteria (including qualifications and experience) for medical practitioners who undertake medical assessments. You can view ACC's legislation at [this link](#).

In addition to this, ACC's contracts (Service Schedules) include conditions and requirements of treatment providers for providing assessments and other services. Our Service Schedules can be found on our website at [this link](#).

As the information you are requesting (i.e. medical assessor requirements) is publicly available, we are declining your request under section 18(d) of the OIA. Please note, there are no references (or exclusions) in ACC's legislation or contracts relating to the circumstances outlined in your questions.

We are happy to answer your questions

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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Emma Coats

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