

Mr Kingi Snelgar
fyi-request-12373-36bfd0b9@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe Mr Snelgar

Thank you for your email of 3 March 2020 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki), requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- *I request all information and names of the programmes and services you fund or deliver in the community with a specific Maori or Tikanga Maori focus under one care and protection and two youth justice purposes.*
- *What specific programmes are available under youth justice plans and orders, that encompasses Tikanga Maori or Te Ao Maori for children and young people in the youth court*
- *How much of the oranga tamariki budget is dedicated to funding Maori specific programmes? What percentage is that of the annual budget?*
- *What MOUs or relationships are established between oranga tamariki and Marae, Hapu, Iwi or other urban Maori authorities*
- *Since s 7AA was enacted in July 2019, what changes if any have occurred to social workers practises, social worker training, social report report writing to court and what cultural training has occurred*
- *Since 7AA was enacted, what new initiatives or strategies are in place by OT to reduce disparity between maori and non maori?*
- *How much funding is allocated or available per youth offender in the youth court? What determines what services might be suitable or available to a young person? Is cost a primary consideration?*

Please note that with the ongoing implications of Covid-19, our most important consideration is continuing to provide services to whānau and keeping tamariki safe. Our resources are being prioritised to ensure that frontline staff are resourced to support our tamariki, whānau and caregivers through this time.

The consultations necessary to make a decision on this request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. For this reason I am writing to extend the time limit for responding to your request until 28 April 2020, in accordance with section 15A(1)(b) of the Act.

You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by contacting them on 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz

We will try to respond sooner than this date if possible.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to be 'S. Groom', written in a cursive style.

Steve Groom

General Manager Public, Ministerial and Executive Services