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Tēnā koe Anthony

## Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-013462

Thank you for your request of 16 August 2021 to Andrew Littles office, asking for the following information which we are responding to under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Your request has been transferred to ACC under section 14 of the act as your request is more closely connected with the functions of ACC:

1/ Information that the Government has in place that would allow funding for:
Brain Scanning of Complex Concussion and Mild Traumatic Brain Injury of New Zealand
Residents/ACC Claimants involved in Long History Legal Arguments, via Matai Medical Research
Institute - Gisborne

2/ Should no funding be currently allocated, please provide information that would guide: New Zealand Residents/ACC Claimants involved in Long History Legal Arguments of Concussion and Mild Traumatic Brain Injury, access to funding in order to have State of the Art/World Leading Brain Scanning via Matai Medical Research Institute – Gisborne

## The information requested does not exist

ACC does not hold any information that would allow funding for brain scanning at Matai Medical Research Institute. They are not an approved ACC provider. Therefore, we do not hold any information that would allow funding for their brain scanning and are refusing the request accordingly under section 18(e) of the Act. Some guidance about becoming a registered provider can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

ACC does not hold any information that would provide guidance for claimants attempting to access funding of Matai Medical research institute services. Therefore, we are refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act, the information does not exist.

## If you have any questions

If you have any questions, you can email me at <a href="mailto:GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz">GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz</a>

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 <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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