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Appendix One: Budget 2019 mental wellbeing initiatives – Information on the Crown Response initiative

Information to 10 September 2021 (Figures in millions)

Initiative:

An Effective, Timely Crown Response to the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in Care.

Description:

This initiative aims to ensure the Crown can engage with the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in Care in a full, timely and joined-up manner, to help the Royal Commission achieve its vision of "Transforming the way we, as a nation, care for children, young people and vulnerable adults in our communities."

Vote	Operating / Capital	2018/19		2019/20		2020/21		2021/22		2022/23		Total	
		Allocated	Spent	Allocated	Spent	Allocated	Spent	Allocated	Spent	Allocated	Spent	Allocated	Spent
Courts	Operating	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1
Education	Operating	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5
Health	Operating	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2
Internal Affairs	Operating	0.0	0.0	1.4	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	1.4
Oranga Tamariki	Operating	0.5	0.3	6.7	2.7	0.0	5.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.2	7.0
State Services	Operating	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2
Total	Operating	0.5	0.3	9.2	5.1	0.0	5.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.7	9.4

Description of agencies involved and services funded
<p>This cross-agency initiative funded staff and resources in Archives New Zealand, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Justice, Oranga Tamariki, and the Public Service Commission (formerly the State Services Commission) to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cross-agency coordination; • legal support for procedural questions and representation with Royal Commission investigations and hearings; • records retrieval, digitisation and processing, and research services to provide information to the Royal Commission and people formerly in State care; • support for current and former staff affected by the Royal Commission; and • support for training and advice to non-governmental organisations on issues such as records management and processing. <p>Please note, the Crown is responding to the timing and processes of the Royal Commission. Due to delays with the Royal Commission's investigations in 2019/20 (particularly driven by the COVID-19 pandemic) allocated funding from 2019/20 was carried forward into 2020/21 to spend. External spending was on records digitisation firms and legal representatives.</p>