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Tēnā koe Megan

Your request for official information, reference: HNZ00041298

Thank you for your email on 17 March 2024, asking Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora for the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Please provide copies of agendas, minutes and associated papers from all four Regional Integration Team meetings between 1 October 23 and 18 March 2024.

Response

Pae Ora - Healthy futures is the vision for the reformed health system where people live longer in good health, have improved quality of life and there is equity across all groups.

The Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) Act 2022:

- requires Health NZ to provide or arrange for the provision of services at a national, regional and local level. Nationally planned, regionally coordinated and locally delivered services are the key to achieving equity in health outcomes among New Zealand's population groups.
- requires Te Aka Whai Ora to ensure planning and service delivery respond to the aspirations of whanau, hapu, iwi and Maori; and design, deliver and arrange services that achieve the best possible health outcomes for Maori.

The purpose of Regional Integration Teams is to ensure consistency and alignment of service planning and service delivery within regions, including to improve the connections between local, regional and national arrangements that together determine the overall effectiveness of Health NZ.

As requested please find copies of agendas, minutes and associated papers from all four Regional Integration Team meetings between 1 October 2023 and 18 March 2024.

We have withheld some information under the following sections of the Official Information Act 1982:

- Section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons.
- Section 9(2)(b)(ii) – to avoid unreasonable prejudice to a commercial position.
- Section 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials
- Section 9(2)(ba)(i) – where making the information available would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.

- Section 9(2)(g)(i) – to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions
- Section 9(2)(i) – to enable a department or organisation holding information to carry out commercial activities
- Section 9(2)(j) – to enable a department or organisation holding information to carry out negotiations
- Section 18(d) – the information requested is or soon will be publicly available

Where information has been withheld, we have considered the public interest in release and determined that it does not outweigh the need to protect the interests specified above.

The information gathered for this response is of a large size, therefore we will be sending each region's information separately. We have kept items in chronological order from each region (Northern, Te Manawa Taki, Central-Ikaroa and Te Waipounamu). There will be a minimum of four emails. Please confirm receipt of each email to assure us that you have received these.

How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at h.nzOIA@health.govt.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 [Ombudsman New Zealand | Tari o te Kaitiaki Mana Tangata](#) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Health NZ may proactively release a copy of this response on our website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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