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Tēnā koe John,

Your request for official information, reference: HNZ00056144

Thank you for your email on 12 July 2024, asking Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora for the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1. Any communications to staff encouraging or requiring them to incorporate karakia into their daily activities, or to participate in karakia*
- 2. Any suggested karakia or example karakia that are used at Health New Zealand*

Response

Many of our staff choose to incorporate karakia in their daily routine and meetings and we want to make that easier for people who are not as familiar with karakia.

We have produced one video (in-house) containing a karakia about the Health Charter Te Mauri O Rongo: [Karakia with Raniera Albert on Vimeo](#).

The screenshot, below, was shared with staff on our intranet and in our weekly newsletter. The communication supports people to incorporate karakia but there is no directive to do so.

Image 1: Screenshot of Te Mauri o Rongo karakia recent shared with all staff via our intranet.



Health NZ teams and regions use a range of karakia, as some may have been gifted locally. In the all-staff hui the karakia, attached as **Appendix 1**, is used.

How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at hnzOIA@tewhatauora.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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz 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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