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By email: fyi-request-28921-a899a21f@requests.fyi.org.nz
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Tēnā koe John

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health – Manatū Hauora (the Ministry) on 31 October 2024 for information regarding nominations for the Health Research Council of New Zealand. Each part of your request is addressed below:

"I noted, you have recently call for nomination for your Health Research Council of New Zealand [https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2024-go5189__!!Asq5-8xVch3Reg!v-vQosr-sASa7w8_YCoWhBzlxu-EZRCNylameEGEUGzCKywa_2-BrDixNoxWJHzHq11CsgcdSEr9jiMyfdzbA2QGqijRKtflqp_W2aBxrQ\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2024-go5189__!!Asq5-8xVch3Reg!v-vQosr-sASa7w8_YCoWhBzlxu-EZRCNylameEGEUGzCKywa_2-BrDixNoxWJHzHq11CsgcdSEr9jiMyfdzbA2QGqijRKtflqp_W2aBxrQ$)

May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations e.g. govt.jobs website.

The roles on the Health Research Council were publicly advertised on the Ministry's careers webpage and the New Zealand Government Jobs website from 4 March 2024 until 18 March 2024.

Also, how many applications you have received from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or Ministry of women etc for your role.

The Ministry received 30 applications in total. Of those, 28 applications were received from members of the public. Nominations were also sought from a variety of nominating agencies. No nominations were received from any of the nominating agencies. Two nominations were received from ministerial offices.

How many you have shortlisted and how many you have interviewed.

Thirteen candidates were shortlisted. Of these, six were involved in due diligence interviews. *sent to the appointee. I am happy for you to remove all the personal information"*

Please see the document attached as an example copy of an appointment letter.

I trust this information fulfils your request. If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: oiagr@health.govt.nz.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Manatū Hauora website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Turner', is positioned above the typed name.

Sarah Turner
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