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Refs: H201505444 & H201505413

Dear Mr/ Ms R Smyther

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for the two requests made on 17 November 2015 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

1) First request:

“Please provide information on:

- which of the named contractors in my previous OIA request (14 October 2015 'Contractors for Mental Health Service Improvement Group') are still contracted by the Mental Health Service Improvement Group (ref H201504844)*
- for those contractors still contracted, how many hours does the Ministry plan to contract these individuals for?*
- can you please respond using a spreadsheet that has the names of the contractors that are still contracted, the total number of hours they have been contracted for in the period July 2014 to 14 Nov 2015, the team they have been contracted into, and the planned total number of hours they will be contracted for the period 16 November 2015 to 30 June 2016.”*

2) Second request:

“Can you please provide information on:

- which of the named contractors are still contracted by the Mental Health Service Improvement Group*
- for those contractors still contracted, how many hours does the Ministry plan to contract these individuals for?*
- can you please respond using a spreadsheet that has the names of the contractors that are still contracted, the total number of hours they have been contracted for in the period July 2014 to 14 Nov 2015, the team they have been contracted into, and the planned total number of hours they will be contracted for the period 16 November 2015 to 30 June 2016.”*

We are responding at the same time to both your requests as they are identical. The information relating to both requests is enclosed below.

Table 1: Contractors who are currently working for Mental Health Service Improvement (MHSI) Group

Contractors still contracted by MHSI	Total hours contracted Jul 2014 to 14Nov15	Total planned hours* of contract from 16Nov15 to 30Jun16	Which team within MHSI
John Markland	2114.28 hours	475 hours	Gambling Harm Minimisation
Kim Albrecht	217.5 hours	160 hours	Mental Health and Addictions

*contract period includes Public Holidays, unpaid leave/ holidays taken.

I trust this information fulfils your request. You have the right to ask the Office of the Ombudsman to review the response to your request.

Yours sincerely



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