

17 SEP 2012

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Dear Ms Harris

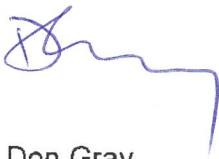
Thank you for your email of 17 August 2012 requesting official information. You asked for 'all advice provided to the Minister of Social Development on her policy to drug-test beneficiaries'. We interpret this request as covering advice originating from, or provided via, the Ministry of Health.

Please find enclosed the information you asked for. Only one document falls within your request: a report to the Minister of Health, titled 'Drug testing of beneficiaries', which was forwarded to the Minister of Social Development.

Deletions have been made in accordance with section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982 to protect the privacy of natural persons.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision on this request.

Yours sincerely



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