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Dear Jacquelyn

Thank you for your email of 28 February 2019 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki), requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*What is the standard rate paid to provide cultural supervision to social workers, kaimahi and counsellors?*

*What might be the expectation of the supervision?*

*My main concern sits with the lack of cultural competency among some of our psychologists and workers engaging with Maori. I am particularly interested in filling the lack with packages for training, supervision and professional development.*

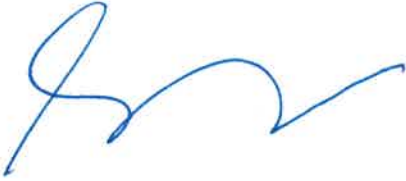
*Our company is currently negotiating some contracts for providing cultural supervision and I am shocked by the discrepancies paid to ourselves as Maori, and ... others. So just wanted to know the Oranga Tamariki rate so I can set a rate that is fair for our clients and fair to ourselves.*

The consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit of 20 working days. For this reason I am extending the time limit for replying to you to 11 April 2019, in accordance with section 15A(1)(b) of the Act. We will try to respond sooner than this date if possible.

You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by contacting them on 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact [OIA\\_Requests@ot.govt.nz](mailto:OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'S. Groom', written in a cursive style.

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