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Official Information Act (1982) Request – information on Nga Hau E Wha and related individuals

I write in response to your Official Information Act requests, transferred to us by the Ministry of Health under section 14 of the Act, and received on 17 April.

You requested the following information in two requests to the Ministry of Health, and as they are related and received by us on the same day, we are responding to both of these together:

- Request 1: All information regarding funding, contracts, communications, applications for funding, contracts, provision of services and all other matters, made to the Ministry of Health or any of its subsidiaries, including District Health Boards, to an organisation known as 'Nga Hau E Wha',
 - Including a copy of the contract number 356272/00 Management and co-ordination of Nga Hau E Wha (NHEW), and all previous contracts with this organisation.
- I further request all information held by the Ministry of Health, or any of its subsidiaries, including District Health Boards, regarding the Chairperson (or former Chairperson) Victoria Roberts, and others associated with NHEW, including Jak Wild and Tui Taurua Peihopa
 - In particular, any and all communication with Tui Taurua Peihopa or anyone from the organisation NHEW regarding the letter sent to her in about June last year, regarding her misleading claim to being a "clinician".
- Request 2: Also all information regarding the employment of Tui Taurua at Middlemore Hospital
 and "Tiaho Mai" she is claiming that her employers at Tiaho Mai Middlemore "called [her] a
 clinician".

Counties Manukau District Health Board (CMDHB) does not hold any direct contracts with any entities called Nga Hau E Wha for any services in Mental Health, Child Health, Maaori Health or Consultancy Services.

We do use the Pukekohe Nga Hau E Wha marae site (car park) as a location for the BreastScreen Mobile Unit, and the marae location also supports delivery of a primary care Rural Outreach Nursing Service, via a contract with the Huakina Development Trust. However, we do not believe your request is referring to this location and services, but rather to Mental Health related peer-support services.

We have found no information held by CMDHB on the named individuals in your request, Victoria Roberts, and others associated with NHEW, including Jak Wild and Tui Taurua Peihopa.

We do not have any current or past employee with the last name Taurua or Peihopa recorded in the Counties Manukau District Health Board Payroll system, nor hold any information or communications regarding employment or position titles.

I trust this information satisfactorily answers your query. If you are not satisfied with this response you are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Please note that this response or an edited version of this may be published on the Counties Manukau DHB website.

Yours sincerely,

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