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Dear [REDACTED]

Official Information Act (1982) Request

I write in response to your Official Information Act request, which we received on 19 September 2018. This was a partial transfer, under section 14 of the Act of your request to the Ministry of Health on 07 September. The Ministry of Health advised that they believed DHBs were best placed to provide information on these two requests:

- (i) What criteria is used by the MoH and District Health Boards (DHBs) to determine if an organisation meets criteria to be considered (and funded as) a Māori provider?**
- (ii) How many Māori providers funded by MoH and/or DHBs are there nationally? Please provide a list of these.**

For the Counties Manukau DHB (CMDHB) catchment, we advise the following response:

We apply the Ministry of Health (MoH) criteria for the Māori Provider Development Scheme (MPDS) to define a Māori provider. Further information on the scheme and those Māori Health providers in the Counties Manukau district that received funding under the scheme in 2016/17 is described on the MoH webpage:

- <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/populations/maori-health/maori-health-providers>

In July 2017, the Ministry of Health released a report *"Funding to Māori health providers by the Ministry of Health and District Health Boards (DHBs), 2011/12 - 2015/16"*, which is available on their website.

The Māori Health provider definition for the Māori Provider Development Scheme is:

- *"Funding under the MPDS for regional Māori health and disability providers is only available to health providers or health organisations that are owned or operated by iwi, and/or Māori organisations".*

In order to be eligible for MPDS funding, the Ministry of Health states that applicants must be either:

- An existing Māori health provider or Māori organisation which has contracts with the Ministry of Health and/or District Health Board

- An existing Māori health provider or Māori organisation that is in the process of negotiating a contract with the Ministry of Health and/or District Health Board; or
- Part of a joint venture with a Māori health provider.

CMDHB currently have the following Māori health providers (15) operating in our area, who meet the Māori Health provider definition and hold a DHB contract:

- Huakina Development Trust
- Manurewa Marae Trust Board 2008 Incorporated
- Mahitahi Trust
- Papakura Marae Society Incorporated
- Port Waikato Community Health and Support Services Trust
- Raukura Hauora o Tainui Trust
- Taiohi Whaioranga
- Te Kaha O'Te Rangatahi Whanau O Tamaki Makaurau Trust
- Te Oranga Kaumatua Kuia Disability Support Services Trust
- Health through the Marae - Te Whakaorangatanga O Nga Tangata
- Turuki Health Care Charitable Trust
- Whare Tiaki Hauora Limited
- Ohomairangi Trust (Mental Health),
- Kahui Tu Kaha Limited (Mental Health),
- Te Hononga O Tamaki Me Hoturoa Charitable Trust (Mana Kidz, Teen Parenting Unit),

As a DHB funder of services, we establish contracts with these NGO providers who have a Māori focus, and provide services to people living in Counties Manukau. All providers hold a standardised service contract, including agreed service specifications for outcomes and monitoring of health delivery performance.

In addition, we are aware that the following five Māori focused providers also work in the Counties Manukau district, while holding national service contracts:

- Hoani Waititi Marae
- Hapai te Hauora Tapui Limited
- Taikura Trust (Disability Support Services / Needs Assessment & Service Coordination)
- National Hauora Coalition Limited (Personal Health, Māori Health, and as a Primary Health Organisation)
- Te Rau Matatini

Within CM Health delivered services, we provide *Te Kaahui Ora Maaori Health Whaanau Ora Services*, which provide Māori cultural support or services in hospital, and in our community via Whaanau Ora.

For further information on our priorities, our most recent CMDHB Māori Health Plan is publicly available:

- <https://www.countiesmanukau.health.nz/assets/About-CMH/Reports-and-planning/Maori-and-pacific-health/2017-0711-2017-18-CMHealth-Maori-Health-Plan-FINAL.pdf>

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Apa', is positioned above a horizontal line.

Margie Apa
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