



21 March 2024

Tēnā koe

By email:		

Re: Official information request for information relating to proposed cost-cuts and cost-savings flagged by the new Public Service Minister and government.

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Te Tāhū Hauora Health Quality & Safety Commission (Te Tāhū Hauora) on 5 March 2024.

Each part of your request is addressed in turn below:

All communication with team leaders (eg managers) regarding said topic, and all official briefing documents on the matter?

Te Tāhū Hauora has identified three documents within scope of this part of your request. All documents are itemised in Appendix 1 with information on any redactions made. Copies of the documents are attached.

In addition, please also provide the amount of FTEs and the proposed ideal amount of FTEs under the new Government's cost saving model in the public service. (eg. how many FTEs are in each role?)

As of 31 December 2023, Te Tāhū Hauora has 100 full-time equivalent (FTE) roles. This figure includes permanent and fixed-term employees. There have been no decisions regarding the proposed ideal amount of FTEs for Te Tāhū Hauora as part of the "new Government's cost saving model in the public service".

In addition, am I please able to get a copy of communication between the Ministry and the Minister, on the topic of cost savings, job cuts, and potential restructuring?

As this relates to the functions of the Ministry of Health, please refer to their response sent to you on 8 March 2024 for this part of the request.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact us at info@hqsc.govt.nz. If you would like to add any additional information relevant to your request, please do not hesitate to contact us so that this can be included.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at <a href="mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz">info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that Te Tāhū Hauora publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address, or contact details.

Nāku noa, nā

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Te Tāhū Hauora Health Quality & Safety Commission



Appendix 1: List of documents for release

#	Date	Document details	Decision on release
1	12 January 2024	Letter from Ministry of Health to Te Tāhū Hauora board chair titled 'Fiscal objectives across the term and Budget 2024'.	Partial release. Redaction made under s9(2)(f)(iv).  The release would undermine the ability of Ministers and/or Cabinet to consider expenditure and revenue options and thereby prejudice the orderly and effective preparation of the budget; and the need to withhold the information is not outweighed by the public interest in release.
2	18 January 2024	Letter from Te Tāhū Hauora board chair in response to Ministry of Health's letter titled 'Fiscal objectives across the term and Budget 2024'.	Partial release. Redaction made under s9(2)(f)(iv).  The release would undermine the ability of Ministers and/or Cabinet to consider expenditure and revenue options and thereby prejudice the orderly and effective preparation of the budget; and the need to withhold the information is not outweighed by the public interest in release.
3	14 February 2024	Letter from the Office of Hon Nicola Willis to Te Tāhū Hauora board chair titled 'Delivering Fiscal Sustainability'	Released in full

