



**Te Tāhū Hauora**  
Health Quality & Safety  
Commission

11 August 2025

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received 22 July 2025, asking for:

*In light of recent news, I understand that Fale Andrew Lesā is a member of Child and youth mortality review. Could you please confirm whether he did, in fact, hold this position? If so, from what period?*

*Also, I would like requesting all documents and information you hold pertaining to the appointment of Fale Andrew Lesā to this committee.*

Response

Fale Andrew Lesā was appointed to the Child and Youth Mortality Review Committee in August 2016, he completed two terms on the committee as a youth advisor and consumer representative and his terms concluded in June 2023.

From 1 June 2023 to June 2024 Mr Lesā agreed to become a subject matter expert for child and youth mortality review if required, however he has not been required and no payments have been made to Mr Lesā by the Health Quality and Safety Commission since June 2023.

Attached to this letter are the appointment and extension letters to Fale Andrew Lesā.

You are entitled, under section 28(2) of the Act, to seek an investigation and review of this decision by the Ombudsman.

Nāku noa, nā

Kere Pomare  
Acting Chief Executive  
**Health Quality & Safety Commission**