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Tena koe Andrew

## Official Information Act Request - OIA 13612 Progressive Procurement Policy

On 3 July 2021, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

Under the OIA, please provide me with the following information:

- Copies of any communications you have sent to suppliers or contractors asking whether they
  meet the definition of a Maori business;
- 2. Copies of any communications you have sent to suppliers or contractors advising them of the requirements of the Progressive Procurement Policy;
- 3. The number/value of contracts your agency has terminated because a supplier or contractor didn't meet the definition of a Maori business since the Progressive Procurement Policy came into force:
- 4. The number/value of contracts your agency has signed with Maori businesses since the Progressive Procurement Policy came into force.

## Whanganui District Health Boards response:

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  See 2 attached PDF's
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Number of Contracts	Value of Contracts	
5	\$712,170	

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Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz

Nga mihi

Russell Simpson
Chief Executive



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#### «PROVIDER CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS»

Whanganui Hospital I *Whakapiki Orao Whanganui* 100 Heads Road, Private Bag 3003 Whanganui 4540, New Zealand

Kia ora koutou,

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to providing high quality healthcare in a way that is safe for your staff, your clients, whanau and the community.

We have received a number of questions relating to contracting arrangements with District Health Boards, as a result of the Government's response to the Health and Disability System Review. You will be aware that an outcome of the review is that from 1 July 2022, District Health Board's (DHB's) as individual legal entities will cease to exist, with two new national authorities being put in place.

## **Contracting Arrangements**

For contracts that expire prior to 1 July 2022, it is the Whanganui District Health Board's (WDHB) intention to continue to contract with providers in a way that is consistent with existing WDHB practice, terms and conditions unless otherwise advised. For a significant number of contracts this will mean a two-year term, taking expiry dates to the 2023 year. Contracts that are linked to specific, annually determined, revenue streams will continue to be contracted for on an annual basis.

Agreements and contracts that are in place on 01 July 2022 will transfer to the new health entities, either Health NZ or the Maori Health Authority. Details on how this transfer will take place will be communicated with providers nearer to the time.

## Contribution to Cost Pressure (CCP) adjustments and contract renewals

The WDHB will not be in a position to confirm contract price increases for the 2021/22 year until our annual planning and budgeting process is complete.

We will communicate proposed price increases for 2021/22 to you as soon as they are available. All price increases will be backdated to the contract renewal date or in the case of contracts that are not expiring, the contract anniversary.

A letter of intent will be sent to providers with contracts expiring on the 30 June 2021 to provide details of proposed contract terms.

With the large volume of contracts from all DHBs being processed through the Ministry of Health Sector Operations in the June/July period, there may be some delay in the processing of contract renewals. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Rust at <a href="mailto:contractadmin@wdhb.org.nz">contractadmin@wdhb.org.nz</a>.

# Governments progressive procurement initiative - A Matou Kaupapa

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- a Maori Authority as defined by the Inland Revenue Department.

Please let us know if you are a Maori business (as defined above) so we can identify who we currently purchase goods and services from.

We have prepared an online form to collect and collate your response, please click on the link below to answer 5 short questions, the process should take no longer than 1 minute to complete.

#### https://forms.office.com/r/sX38RkauM3

Please contact Matthew Power at <a href="matthew.power@wdhb.org.nz">matthew.power@wdhb.org.nz</a> if you have any questions.

Find out more about progressive procurement at <a href="mailto:tpk.qovt.nz/progressiveprocurement">tpk.qovt.nz/progressiveprocurement</a>

Nga mihi

Matthew Power

**Commissioning Manager** 

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