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18 March 2025



I refer to your email dated 10 March 2025, requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- *“Does your organisation offer any health insurance benefits to your staff, where the agency contributes financially?”*
- *Can you summarise what you offer?*
- *Can you provide a percentage of staff which have taken up the offer broken out by year from 2014 to present.*
- *If there are factors which may have impacted rates - e.g. a new offer, please provide context.”.*

The Ministry offers discounted Health Insurance benefits to our staff through insurance partners, Southern Cross and Marram. Our staff receive the benefit of a group discount through Southern Cross; however the Ministry does not currently provide any financial contribution towards these benefits.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

The Ministry publishes our Official Information Act responses, and the information contained in our reply to you may be published on the Ministry's website. Before publishing we will remove any personal or identifiable information.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'SW'.

Suzanne Williams
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