



29 November 2024

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 21 October 2024, in which you clarified your request of 15 October 2024. You have requested information on accommodation supplement data for those aged over 65.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find my decision on your request set out below.

Please find the information requested attached in **Appendix A and Appendix B**.

I am unable to provide you with payment information broken down by year. To provide this information, the Ministry would need to manually review each client file. As such, I refuse your request under section 18(f) of the Act. The greater public interest is in the effective and efficient administration of the public service.

I have considered whether the Ministry would be able to respond to your request given extra time, or the ability to charge for the information requested. I have concluded that, in either case, the Ministry's ability to undertake its work would still be prejudiced.

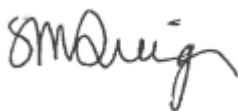
Please note we have provided the amounts paid as a weekly rate in the spirit of being helpful.

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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