



15 April 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 20 November 2024, requesting information about VHN suppliers.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

I sincerely apologise for the delay in responding to your request. The Official Information team has been experiencing high volumes of requests, and we have not met our obligations in your responding to your request. This is not the standard of service we endeavour to provide and I apologise for any inconvenience the delay has caused to you.

Please see the attached **Appendix** for a list of active Very High Needs service providers, with a breakdown of their funding amount and region of service.

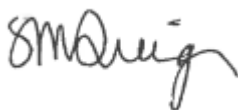
You will note that the names of Sole Traders have been anonymised in the attached table. This information is withheld under section 9(2)(a) in order to protect the privacy of natural persons. The need to protect the privacy of these individuals outweighs any public interest in this information.

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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