



22 September 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email dated 1 September 2025, to the Ministry of Social Development, in which you requested information about Special Needs Grants for essential dental treatment paid by the Ministry between 1 December 2022 and 31 August 2025.

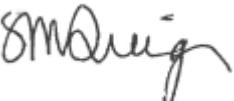
I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982. I refer you to **Appendix 1**, which contains the information you requested.

I will publish 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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