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Tēnā koe Anthony

**Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-001966**

I refer to your email of 02 October 2019, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*Would the ACC consider a yes or no to each question and include a reference to the act or service schedule they are referring to back up their answer*

*Please supply Information that Permits:*

- 1. an ACC funded Clinician to Provide the ACC with Assessments whilst having a Closed Private Practice (as of to date and earlier possible researchable time)*
- 2. an ACC funded Clinician to Provide the ACC with Assessments whilst the ACC being their Sole Source of Income (as of to date and earlier possible researchable time)*

**The requirements for ACC's assessors**

As explained in our letter dated 30 September 2019 (ref GOV-001481), the requirements for medical practitioners to undertake medical assessments can also be found in the Accident Compensation Act 2001 (the AC Act). Sections 93 and 94 outlines the criteria for medical practitioners who undertake medical assessments.

You can find the definition of a medical practitioner in section 6 of the AC Act.

Each service schedule for the provision of assessments has different requirements depending on the type of assessment to be provided. For example, the clinical psychiatry service schedule requires assessors to meet the relevant requirements of their regulatory body.

If the assessor is able to meet the criteria for medical practitioners as outlined in the AC Act, as well as the relevant criteria under the applicable service schedule, then the assessor will be able to provide assessment services. This applies if the assessor's practice is closed to the general public and ACC is their sole source of income.

**How to get in touch**

If you have any questions, you can email me at [GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz](mailto:GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz).

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