

30 July 2014

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Dear DE Sheridan

Official Information Act 1982 – Notification of Time Extension

On 7 July 2014 you asked for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (Act):

1. Please indicate how many Branch, RIS or Corporate or other Psychologists ACC has had each year for the past 5 years (by Branch or unit, including RIS or Corporate positions?)
2. What qualifications are they required to have and how does ACC insure they are kept up to date?
3. What are the job descriptions for each different type of psychologist's job?
4. What are their pay rates?
5. Have psychologists ever been used by RIS Units, Branches, ACC government services, or ACC legal services to advise ACC staff on how to maximize psychological pressure on claimants? If so, how have they been used; and is this practice on-going?

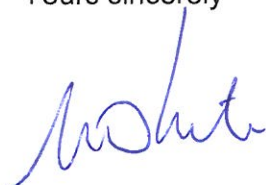
ACC needs an extra 20 working days until 1 September 2014 to consult in order to make a decision on your request. This extension complies with Section 15A of the Act.

Please contact me on Lisa.white@acc.co.nz if you would like to talk about this letter. I will be happy to answer any questions or, if you have any concerns, work with you to resolve these.

If you are still not happy, you may make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman. You can call them on 0800 802 602, 9am to 5pm weekdays, or write to:

The Office of the Ombudsman
PO Box 10 152
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Yours sincerely



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