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Subject: FW: Waikato med school: s9(2)(a) as SRO [IN-CONFIDENCE:RELEASE EXTERNAL]
Date: Monday, 29 May 2017 5:45:00 pm

Hi s9(2)(a)

Below are some bullet points for Mike James. Will you or Neasa forward it to him?

Thanks

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What is the proposal offering and what will it cost?

- The Waikato proposal submitted by the University of Waikato and Waikato DHB (the 'Waikato parties'), is a four-year, graduate-entry medical school programme with students able to enter from any prior degree programme providing they meet academic and dispositional criteria.
- The rationale for a new medical school is to address the shortage of rural practitioners (rural GPs and associated specialities) in the medical workforce by recruiting students more likely to want to work in rural areas, and ensuring they have significant experience in rural placements in their training.
- The focus will be on accepting students who come from rural NZ and who are keen to pursue rural practice. It is envisaged that many of these students will be Māori, reflecting the demographics of the Waikato region.
- The new school would be based in Hamilton, with clinical education and training centres located throughout the central North Island. This will enable students to undertake a high proportion of clinical placements in community settings outside the main centres.
- The Waikato proposal envisages enrolling up to 60 students a year from 2020.
- The Waikato parties are hoping to secure capital funding from the Crown to finance the school with operating revenue coming from TEC funding. Over a 10-year period, capital expenditure is estimated at a minimum of \$58m and operating expenditure a minimum of \$142m.

Current process and next steps

- In April, Minister's Joyce and Coleman requested further information from the 'Waikato parties'.
- This information included engagement with a wide range of government, regulatory and health agencies to establish a common understanding of any health workforce problems in NZ, clarification of potential, evidence to implementation pathway, greater detail recruitment strategies and clinical placements.
- Since then there have been several meetings recently between the Waikato parties and officials from the TEC, Health Workforce New Zealand and Treasury. The foci of these meetings included NZ's rural health workforce issues and the Waikato parties' CAPEX and OPEX requirements.
- The additional information in the form of a revised business case is due 31 May.

It is intended that this information is presented to Ministers for their consideration in view of an in-principle decision of support, or otherwise in July.

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Sounds good –thanks s9(2)(a)

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Hi s9(2)(a)

Thanks for keeping me in the loop on this. I usually catch up with s9(2)(a) (TEC) ahead of any trips to the Waikato to make sure s9(2)(a) and I are up to speed with where things are at, but it would be good for s9(2)(a) to get a set of talking points before the next meeting on 6th June. If you could copy me in when you send them, that would be great.

I'm based in Auckland, which has meant it has been difficult to attend meetings, particularly when this work is moving at pace and meetings are arranged at short notice. I am, however, happy to dial in where I can't make it to Wellington.

Many thanks,

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Hi s9(2)(a)

As mentioned last week, ^{s9(2)(a)} and I just met with ^{s9(2)(a)} (SRO for Waikato). He was happy for TEC to keep inviting ^{s9(2)(a)} to the meetings going forward but did ask that he get a short set of talking points around process so that he's up-to-date whenever he meets proponents (eg ^{s9(2)(a)}, Chair of the DHB). Would you mind sending him a short set of points about current process and key next steps?

I asked him when he was next in the Waikato and he indicated that both ^{s9(2)(a)} and himself would be there on 6 June – so particularly important for him to know if the business case has been received and what we're doing with it at that point.

Hope this works for you,

Cheers

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