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Tēnā koe Nicholas

Official information request HNZ00034919

Thank you for your email on 21 December 2023, asking for the following which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Could you please send me a copy of methamphetamine prescription amounts broken down by region and month going back as far as records exist.

I understand this may result in having to obscure numbers for privacy reasons and older data may be organised differently. Switch from monthly/region breakdowns to something else if/when needed.

Methamphetamine is a Class A controlled drug in New Zealand, and as such, is not prescribed as suggested by your request.

We are therefore refusing your request under Section 18(e) of the Act as the information requested does not exist.

How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at <u>hnzOIA@health.govt.nz</u>.

If you are not happy with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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