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Kia ora Anthony

Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-032062

Thank you for your emails of 29 April 2024, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy) Communications between the ACC and any Sports
 Organizations for Respective years 2010 to date ie all Communications discussing
 Concerns/Prevention/Potential Funding etc etc
- Please provide the following pertaining to CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy):
 - o Total Financial Liability cost to the ACC from Respective Years 2010 to date
 - Research Costs/Grants from the ACC pertaining to CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy)
 Respective Years 2010 to date

For ease of responding, we have combined your requests related to CTE (Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy).

Correspondence between the New Zealand Rugby Union and ACC is attached

This is the only correspondence ACC holds between itself and other sports organisations regarding *Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy*. Names and images have been removed as they are out of scope of your request.

Research costs/grants

ACC has not provided research costs or grants relating to *Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE)*. Therefore, we are refusing this part of your request as the information does not exist. This decision has been made under section 18(e) of the Act.

Costs for CTE claims

The total cost for known Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy claims is \$1,864,563. ACC does not have a centralised record of confirmed CTE claims and the total cost provided is based on claims that are known. Therefore, the actual total cost may be higher than what is provided in this response.

If you have any questions about this response, please get in touch



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