



Health and Disability Commissioner
Te Toihau Hauora, Hauātanga

20 June 2024

Simon Tegg

By email: fyi-request-27098-8c6c645f@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe Mr Tegg

Re: Information request
Our ref: E24HDC00761

Thank you for your email of 31 May 2024 requesting:

“On the 19th of January 2024 I submitted a complaint against a doctor to the Medical Council for breaching advertising standards and the Medicines Act. I understand that complaints are also forwarded to the HDC.

I wish to confirm that this complaint was forwarded to the HDC.

I also request the attachments that were sent with this complaint.

If an attachment has to be withheld because of the privacy provisions, e.g. 9(2)(a) of the OIA Act and would reveal the name of the doctor, I still request the attachments to which 9(2)(a) does not apply.

If privacy provisions under 9(2)(a) apply because it would reveal the name of the doctor and the attachment cannot be provided I request the name of the attached files to which 9(2)(a) applies (if the name itself does not breach 9(2)(a)).”

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982.

Refusal of request

We are unable to identify your complaint. Therefore, we refuse your request pursuant to section 18(e) of the Official Information Act as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist, or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found. You may seek a review of this decision from the Office of the Ombudsman.

You may wish to ask the Medical Council for the referral.

Nāku iti noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Craig Goodwillie'.

Dr Craig Goodwillie
OIA Team Leader