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By email: fyi-request-28352-4a037b66@requests.fyi.org.nz
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Tēnā koe John

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health – Manatū Hauora (the Ministry) on 10 September 2024 for information regarding the Chinese Medicine Council of New Zealand (the Council). Please find a response to each part of your request below.

May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations e.g. govt.jobs website.

The roles on the Council were publicly advertised on the Ministry's Careers webpage and the New Zealand Government Jobs website from 19 March 2024 to 2 April 2024.

Also, how many applications you have received from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or Ministry of women etc for your role.

The Ministry received 11 applications from the public. Nominations were also sought from a variety of nominating agencies, and one nomination was received from both the Ministry for Ethnic Communities and Ministry for Women – Manatū Wahine, and one nomination was received from the Ministry for Ethnic Communities only.

How many you have shortlisted and how many you have interviewed.

Five health practitioners and six lay member candidates were shortlisted. Of these, none were interviewed as all five preferred candidates were reappointees.

Also, can I request to view the appointment letter if there is one sent to the appointee. I am happy for you to remove all the personal information."

Five appointment letters were sent out and one of these is attached as an exemplar. Any further details about the appointees can be found in the publicly available notice on the New Zealand Gazette: <https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2024-go4367>.

I trust this information fulfils your request. If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: oiagr@health.govt.nz.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Manatū Hauora website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Turner', is positioned below the text 'Nāku noa, nā'.

Sarah Turner
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