

19 January 2018

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Dear Mr Jordan

Reference: 0051079

Official Information Act 1982 – Notification of Time Extension

On 4 December 2017 you asked for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

1/ Please disclose names of specialists for each month from January 2017 to date, involved in Medical Panel Review hearings.

2/ Please disclose the total of cases that were deemed to be related to Concussions/Mild Traumatic Brain Injuries for respective months

As advised in our acknowledgement of your request, dated 5 December 2017, we have interpreted your use of the term 'Medical Panel Review' to be for information relating to ACC's External Medical Panel.

We are writing to notify you of an extension of the time to make our decision on your request, of 20 working days, to 21 February 2018. This extension is required as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. ACC will do all it can to respond to your request before the new due date, if that is at all possible.

This extension complies with Section 15A of the Act.

If you have any questions or concerns about this extension, ACC will be happy to work with you to resolve these. Please address any concerns by emailing GES@acc.co.nz, or in writing to *Government Engagement and Support, PO Box 242, Wellington 6140*.

You have the right to complain to the Office of the Ombudsman about our decision to extend the timeframe for responding to your request. You can call them on 0800 802 602 between 9am and 5pm on weekdays, or write to the *Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143*.

Yours sincerely

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