



**Te Kawa Mataaho**  
Public Service Commission

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**Official Information Act Transfer**

**Our ref: OIA 2024-0130**

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 23 May 2024 for:

*"I am a member of a research group at the University of Canterbury looking at the inclusion of people with lived experience (PWLE) of the mental health care system, their families and communities participate in the design, delivery and evaluation of mental health care in Aotearoa New Zealand.*

*We are interested to find out how many PWLE work as Lived Experience Advisors (sometimes referred to as Consumer Advisors) in the mental health system in Aotearoa New Zealand. However, we would like this information to also include any staff employed in the mental health system whose job title includes the words "Lived Experience".*

*We would like this information separated according to whether people work nationally, in the West Coast region or in the Canterbury region. We would also like the information to include the names of organisations these people work for and the number of these people that work within each of these organisations."*

We have transferred your request to Te Whatu Ora (Health New Zealand), as the information to which your request relates is not held by us but is believed to be held by Health New Zealand. In these circumstances, we are required by section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982 to transfer your request.

You will hear further from Health New Zealand concerning your request.

Yours sincerely

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