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Dear [REDACTED]

Official Information Act Request for – Funding to The Whanau Ora Community Clinic

I write in response to your Official Information Act request received by us 17th November 2021, you requested the following information:

- 1. The total amount of Counties Manukau District Health Board funding that has gone to Whanau Ora Community Clinic in Auckland, owned by George Ngatai and Raewyn Bhana, for the 12-month period between 1 November 2020 to 30 October 2021, to provide primary care services.**
- 2. The total amount of Counties Manukau DHB funding that has gone to WOCC Auckland for COVID-19 services**
- 3. The total amount of Counties Manukau DHB funding to WOCC for the last three financial years**

Counties Manukau Health Response:

For context Counties Manukau Health (CM Health) employs over 8,500 staff and provides health and support services to people living in the Counties Manukau region (approx. 601,490 people). We see over 118,000 people in our Emergency Department each year, and over 2,000 visitors come through Middlemore Hospital daily.

Our services are delivered via hospital, outpatient, ambulatory and community-based models of care. We provide regional and supra-regional specialist services i.e. for orthopaedics, plastics, burns and spinal services. There are also several specialist services provided including tertiary surgical services, medical services, mental health and addiction services.

The Covid-19 response including vaccination is being managed as a regional collaborative across the 4 Northern Region District Health Boards. Most Maori health providers in the region have been contracted and funded to provide testing, vaccination and, more recently Whanau home quarantine supports for whanau whom are isolating at home with Covid-19 cases and contacts.

CM Health funds The Whanau Ora Community Clinic for Primary Care Services through the Primary Health Organisation (PHO) National Hauora Coalition. PHOs provide primary health services either directly or through their contracted providers. The services provided aim to improve and maintain the

health of the enrolled PHO population, the provision of general practice services and ensuring that primary care services are connected with other health and social (where relevant) services to ensure a seamless continuum of care.

In addition to the above, CM Health also funds The Whanau Ora Community Clinic directly for a various range of different Covid-19 related services.

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The total amount of funding that has gone to The Whanau Ora Community Clinic in Auckland from 1st November 2020 to 30th October 2021 is \$707,004 (an estimate has been used for the October 21 month as it is not readily available to CM Health yet).

2. The total amount of Counties Manukau DHB funding that has gone to WOCC Auckland for COVID-19 services
3. The total amount of Counties Manukau DHB funding to WOCC for the last three financial years

In response to questions two and three, the total amount of CM Health funding that includes both Primary Care Services and Covid-19 services is reflected in the below table.

Jul-Jun Fin. Yrs	Primary Care Services	COVID-19 Services	Total
FY 2018-19	\$419,250	-	\$419,250
FY 2019-20	\$647,879	\$1,101,840	\$1,749,719
FY 2020-21	\$676,031	\$2,563,838	\$3,239,869
FY 21-22 Nov YTD	\$313,220	\$2,178,819	\$2,492,039
Total	\$2,056,380	\$5,844,497	\$7,900,877

I trust this information answers your request. You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response or an edited version of this may be published on the Counties Manukau Health website. If you consider there are good reasons why this response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider this.

Yours sincerely



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