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Dear [REDACTED]

Official information request for New Zealand Drug Foundation

I refer to your official information request dated 17 June 2020 for a list of all payments by the Commission since 1 July 2018 and purpose, in relation to the New Zealand Drug Foundation.

The OIA enables people to request official information from Ministers and agencies/local government agencies, including the Health Quality & Safety Commission (the Commission). However, the OIA only applies to information that is already held by the Commission. There is no obligation on the Commission to create information in order to respond to a request.

I am therefore refusing your request under section 18(g) of the OIA, because the Commission does not hold any official information nor has made any payments to the New Zealand Drug Foundation.

Please note that the Commission publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address or contact details.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janice Wilson".

Dr Janice Wilson
Chief Executive