



14 November 2023

Kia ora [REDACTED]

Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-028701

Thank you for your email of 31 October 2023, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

In how many cases have the Accident Compensation Authority funded cannabis-based products for the treatment of patients diagnosed with PTSD?

Count of claims where payments for cannabis-based products have been made

ACC has funded cannabis-based products for fewer than four claims which had an approved injury diagnosis of PTSD.

This data was extracted for claims where paid invoices include one of the following terms: 'sativex'; 'tilray'; 'cannabi' or 'cbd oil'. The data was extracted on 8 November 2023 and may differ if re-run again at a later date.

Claim counts fewer than four

We have only indicated that the count of claims is fewer than four to limit the potential for individuals or matters specific to certain individuals from being identified. This decision has been made under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. In doing so, we have considered the public interest in making the information available and have determined that it does not outweigh the need to protect our clients' privacy.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public

ACC has decided to proactively release a copy of this response on ACC's website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release. The released response will be made available www.acc.co.nz/resources/#/category/12.

If you have any questions about this response, please get in touch

You can email me at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz.

If you are not happy with this response, you can also contact the Ombudsman via info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

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