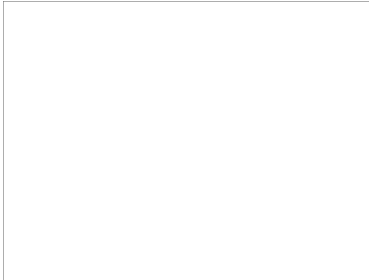




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On 20 May 2016 you emailed the Ministry requesting the following information:

- *How much was budgeted and how much was spent by the Ministry, and any other entities/areas for which the Ministry is responsible for, in the 2014/15 financial year on programmes and activities related to: Increasing the understanding among consumers of factors that lead to harmful alcohol consumption, managing the impact of harmful alcohol consumption and reducing harmful alcohol consumption*
- *In answering the above please:*
 - *Provide a list of the programmes or activities with the budget and expenditure amounts against each one*
 - *Describe how the Ministry coordinate activities with other government agencies*
 - *Indicate which programmes or activities would be considered either a one-off expenditure or will not be funded in the 2016/17 financial year and beyond and which are on-going programmes or activities*
 - *For each programme or activity please indicate and describe how government's return on its investment is being measured*

The Ministry's funding does not specifically target services focused on education or the reduction/management of harmful alcohol related issues. Rather, funding extends to support for alcohol and drug related issues. On this basis, it is difficult to separate the amounts spent by the Ministry to target alcohol related issues from those spent on targeting drug related issues. We are able to provide information on funding for programmes associated with both drug and alcohol related issues as well as programmes that are targeted for a wider scope which includes alcohol related issues. Please find enclosed tables that outline the programmes provided, the service type, a description of the service, the results measured, and the amount budgeted and contracted for the service.

The Ministry plans funding for its programmes and services annually. Any change in funding is dependent on a number of different factors such as provider performance or the implications of Government objectives. Therefore, the Ministry is not in a position to indicate what programmes and services will be funded beyond this financial year. As such, your request for details of the programmes or activities that would be considered either a one-off expenditure or an on-going programme or activity is refused under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act as this information does not exist.

In response to your request for how the return on investment is measured, the Ministry has set the Alcohol and Other Drugs Residential Programme Service Specifications that underpin the relationship between the Ministry, the provider and the client. These specifications provide a guide for the delivery of the Alcohol and Other Drugs Residential Programmes Service funded by Child Youth and Family. The specifications outline:

- a set of commonly agreed practice principles and values to guide service delivery
- detailed information about service delivery and practice
- a resource tool to help providers deliver their services consistently
- a resource tool to assist providers in meeting the desired service outcomes
- a way for us to improve our responsiveness to feedback regarding changes to the service delivery component of the Outcome Agreement.

These specifications should be seen as setting the minimum standard for service delivery to assist providers to competently deliver the service according to the Outcome Agreement requirements. Each provider can develop a service that reflects their organisation's philosophical base, incorporating local need and the culture within which it works.


Further information on these specifications is available on the Ministry's website at: <https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/service-guidelines/aod-residential-programme-service-specification.html>

The Ministry is one year into a three year work programme to adopt a social investment approach to all social services. This work will include the development, over time, of social return models for the services invested in, though it will only commence in 2017/18.

I hope you find this information helpful. You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
PO Box 10-152
WELLINGTON 6143

Yours sincerely



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Community Investment**

Ministry of Social Development funding for programmes related to alcohol and drug related issues as at 14 July 2016

Note: Funding in the 2016/17 financial year is still subject to contracting and may alter.

Table 1 - Programmes that can be identified as reducing both Alcohol and Drug (AoD) related issues in 2014/15 to 2016/17

Programme	Service Type	Provider Service Description	Results Measured	Budgeted Amount in 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2015/16	Contracted Amount for 2016/17
Fresh Start Alcohol and Drug Community	Child, Youth and Family (CYF): Fresh Start - Alcohol and Drug Community Programmes – One-off	To support young people in residential care with AoD issues in the Auckland region and to support young people with AoD issues and their Whānau in court in the Southern region.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number of clients completing intervention Total number of clients who exited the programme prior to completion Total number of new clients referred Total number of clients assessed post intervention who demonstrated improved pro-social attitude and self-responsibility and there was a perceived reduction in the risk of offending/reoffending Total number of clients who exited the programme prior to completion Total number of clients who report they are unsatisfied with the content and delivery of the programme Total number of clients who express satisfaction with the content and delivery of the programme Total number of clients who have case management with goals (objectives) set Total number of clients completing intervention with needs met 	*\$95,947	**\$79,947	\$0	\$0

Programme	Service Type	Provider Service Description	Results Measured	Budgeted Amount in 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2015/16	Contracted Amount for 2016/17
Fresh Start Alcohol and Drug Residential	<p>CYF: Fresh Start Alcohol and Drug Residential Programmes. These programmes provide a 24-hour staffed service with suitable accommodation in residences not run by CYF, for Children and Young People with serious AOD problems that result in complex and on-going high-support needs related to their activities of daily living. They include an individual treatment plan that clearly addresses the Child or Young Person's AOD use.</p>	<p>AOD Residential Programme for children and young people as requiring this type of programme.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number of clients completing intervention Total number of clients who exited the programme prior to completion Total number of new clients referred Total number of clients who express satisfaction with the content and delivery of the programme Total number of clients completing intervention with needs met 	\$1,004,000	\$672,000	\$672,000	\$420,000
	<p>CYF: Fresh Start Alcohol and Drug Abuse Residential Programmes, CYF Residences. These programmes are delivered in the Ministry's Youth Justice Residences run by CYF, for Young People with serious AOD problems to assist them to make positive choices to avoid alcohol and drug related issues. The AOD Education and</p>	<p>Provide alcohol and drug education with a motivational approach to assist youth make choices to avoid alcohol and drug related issues. Programmes to be delivered in Te Puna Wai o Tuhinapo CYF residence.</p> <p>Provide Anger Management Education programme to be delivered in conjunction with alcohol and drug education programmes. Programmes to be delivered at Te Puna Wai o Tuhinapo CYF residence.</p>					
						\$60,000	\$60,000

Programme	Service Type	Provider Service Description	Results Measured	Budgeted Amount in 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2015/16	Contracted Amount for 2016/17
	Motivational Programme will include a brief alcohol and drug assessment and intervention session, which will provide a summary of their alcohol and drug use and recommendations when required for additional AOD treatment via a report.	Provision of a 10 week alcohol and drug education with a motivational approach" group programme in the Korowai Manaaki CYF residence. Weekly group sessions will be delivered to each of the five units within the Residence. Provision will include individual Alcohol and Drug Use Assessments for each young person entering residence, a Cultural Assessment for all Maori young people entering residence and subsequent one on one session with clients after consultation/approval of the case leader.			\$177,000	\$177,000	\$0
Total				\$1,099,947	\$1,083,947	\$1,004,000	\$575,000

*Budgeted amount of \$16,000.00 in 2014/15 for services in the Southern region were not contracted as planned as an appropriate provider with relevant capability could not be identified in the Southern region. This budgeted funding was reprioritised to meet demand for other services

**Funding contracted for 2014/15 was one off and was not contracted in following financial years.

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Table 2 - Programmes that are targeted for wider scope which includes Alcohol related issues in 2014/15 to 2016/17

Service Type	Provider Service Description	Results Measurements	Contracted Amount 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2015/16	Contracted Amount for 2016/17
Community Investment (CI): Abuse Prevention Programmes	<p>Group programme to help men and women in Whanganui change their abusive and violent behaviour or attitudes. An assessment and orientation is completed prior to the 12 week group programme with each session being 2.5 hours. Programme content is relevant to participants and includes education components on the effects of family violence on children, Protection Orders and the effects of alcohol and drug abuse.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total number of new clients receiving intervention Total number of clients who express satisfaction with the content and delivery of the programme Total number of clients completing intervention with needs met (needs met = able to implement some of the objectives from the programme) Narrative report 	\$70,161	\$70,161	\$70,161
CI: Family and Crisis Counselling Services	<p>Counselling service available to children, young people and whanau who live in the Tairarua area. The service is delivered by a qualified counsellor to those who are experiencing the effects of alcohol, drugs, mental health, and violent behaviour and are experiencing family breakdown. Engagement is typically 6 to 8 weeks long and written case plans are in place.</p> <p>Individual or group counselling delivered by a qualified counsellor for clients in the Tairarua area. Counselling is delivered to families who have experienced intergenerational abuse, including physical, sexual or drug and alcohol abuse. Sessions will average between 6 to 10 weeks for one hour a week.</p> <p>This service provides counselling, client prevention/client support for CYF clients/parents/Youth who have been victims of sexual abuse, domestic violence trauma or rape which is impacting on parenting. Presenting issues can include abuse, alcohol or drug, children at risk, controlling behaviour, crisis or post crisis, family resiliency, neglect, harmful sexual behaviour, inappropriate sexual behaviour or complex social needs. Referral will be from CYF, this includes Partnered Response.</p> <p>This service provides youth counselling for young people in the Dunedin area. A structured counselling</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total number of new clients receiving intervention Total number of clients who have case management with goals (objectives) set Total number of counsellors who have a formal qualification Total number of clients completing intervention with need met (needs met = 80% of goals achieved in case plan) Narrative report 	\$30,054	\$30,054	\$0
			\$23,975	\$23,975	\$23,975
			\$79,725	\$79,725	\$79,725
			\$108,600	\$108,600	\$108,600

Service Type	Provider Service Description	Results Measurements	Contracted Amount 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2015/16	Contracted Amount for 2016/17
	<p>programme for at risk youth where there is a significant risk of abuse and neglect. CYF notifications, offending, drug and alcohol issues, or becoming isolated and dysfunctional. A qualified and experienced Counsellor delivers a maximum of 10 sessions. Priority will be given to CYF, Partnered Response and post-CYF referrals.</p>				
<p>CI: Family support services</p>	<p>Face to face counselling delivered in Horowhenua by qualified or student counsellors, to children, youth, parents/caregivers for issues of violence prevention, drug and alcohol use, stress, anger management, relationships, depression or mental health issues. Clients attend an average of six sessions with the goal to improve wellbeing and family functioning and connections to community.</p> <p>Six sessions of Drug and Alcohol counselling by a qualified Counsellor to families with dependent children.</p> <p>Social work support delivered by a qualified staff for at risk 7-17 year olds and their families in Palmerston North. Delivered one on one or in group sessions for an hour a week up to four months. Aim is for family to support their children and young people engaged in education, in positive social activity and connected to their community. Work is on relationships, anxiety, anger management, alcohol and drug use, offending behaviour, identity formulation, leadership and self-esteem building.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total number of new clients receiving intervention Total number of clients who have case management with goals (objectives) set Total number of clients completing intervention with needs met (needs met = 80% of goals achieved in case plan) Narrative report 	\$29,794	\$29,794	\$29,794
	<p>Social work support targeted at children, young people and whanau who live in the Tararua area. This service provided by a qualified social worker to those who have been assessed as being at risk due to, family breakdown, violence and alcohol and drug abuse. The social worker develops an agreed written plan with the client. Case plans are family focused and based on the identified needs. Plans are reviewed every 6 to 8 weeks.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total number of new clients receiving intervention Total number of clients who have case management with goals (objectives) set Total number of clients completing intervention with needs met (needs met = 80% of goals achieved in case plan) 	\$14,880	\$14,880	\$0
			\$25,577	\$25,577	\$25,577
			\$24,512	\$24,512	\$0

Service Type	Provider Service Description	Results Measurements	Contracted Amount 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2015/16	Contracted Amount for 2016/17
	<p>This service provides home based social work type support, client prevention, client support and education to CYF clients/families in Ohai Nightcaps. Presenting issues may include: abuse, alcohol/drugs, children at risk, crisis, emotional issues, child focussed or family focussed needs, family resiliency, inappropriate behaviour, life skills, neglect, parenting or violent behaviour. Referrals will come from CYF (CYF Social Workers will offer additional support to maintain the service).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative report 	\$27,396	\$27,396	\$27,396
CI: Group programmes for Self Referred Adult perpetrators of family violence	<p>Individual programmes for self-referred adult perpetrators of Family Violence in Whanganui. An assessment and orientation is completed prior to the 12 individual sessions with each session being up to one hour in duration. Programme contains an education component including information on the effects of family violence on children, Protection Orders and the effects of alcohol and drug abuse.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total number of clients receiving intervention Total number of clients who express satisfaction with the content and delivery of the programme Total number of clients completing intervention with needs met (needs met = able to implement some of the objectives from the programme.) Narrative report. 	\$13,754	\$13,754	\$13,754
	<p>This service provides Family Violence prevention of reoccurrence programmes for client prevention, client support, behaviour modification Family Violence. The programme targets CYF clients/parents who have children at risk as a result of their violence and alcohol and drug issues, complex social needs, controlling behaviour and have family resiliency at risk. Each programme is 25 weeks in duration. All will be referred from CYF including Partnered Response for their violent behaviour.</p>		\$17,247	\$17,247	\$0
CI: Supervised structured programmes for youth at risk	<p>Structured youth programmes for youth where there is a significant risk of abuse and neglect, CYF notifications, offending, drug & alcohol issues, or becoming isolated and dysfunctional in the Central Otago area. Programme length is a maximum of 10 sessions. Outcomes will be a demonstrable development of skills and plans for each young person to ensure safety, wellbeing and ability in relation to reducing risk factors. Priority will be given to CYF, Partnered Response and post-CYF referrals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total number of new clients receiving intervention. Total number of programmes delivered Total number of clients who express satisfaction with the content and delivery of the programme Total number of clients who do not offend/reoffend while on the programme The total number of clients completing intervention 	\$22,438	\$22,438	\$7,438

Service Type	Provider Service Description	Results Measurements	Contracted Amount 2014/15	Contracted Amount for 2015/16	Contracted Amount for 2016/17
	The Buddy programme provides mentoring, client support/client prevention to CYF clients and youth at risk of offending, inappropriate behaviour, abuse, neglect, emotional issues, or Alcohol and Drug Ideation (this may be the parents of the Young Person). The programme duration can be up to 18 months. Appropriate 1:1 mentor assigned to each Young Person. CYF referrals will have priority and will contribute most of the volume to the programme, this includes Partnered Response).	with needs met (needs met = able to implement some of the objectives from the programme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narrative Report. 	\$46,016	\$46,016	\$0
CI: Support Packages including respite care	This service provides home based intensive social work support, client prevention, client support, assessment or behaviour modification for CYF clients/families/parents. Presenting issues may include abuse, alcohol or drug, child focused or family focused indicators, children at risk, high level multiple needs, crisis, neglect or family resiliency concerns. CYF referrals will make up the majority of referrals. Client needs will be met under the High Trust Contracts. Targeted programmes may be delivered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total number of new families receiving intervention Total number of care nights provided Total number of children in care during contract period Total number of families with case plan and goals (objective) set Total number of families completing intervention with needs met (needs met = 80% of goals achieved in the case plan) Narrative Report 	\$135,449	\$135,449	\$0
Total			\$669,578	\$669,578	\$386,420

*Budgeted amounts are not included in this table, as budgeted amounts are only available at Programme level. This table contains only a few Alcohol related funding lines from a Service Type. Providing a high level Budgeted figure will not add value as the individual funding lines included in Table 2 are a very small percentage of a total programme or even a Service Type.