



8 August 2024

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 2 July 2024, requesting information about work programmes under the Employment Work Readiness and Assistance Programme (EWRAP) administered by the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry).

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find my decision on your request set out below.

You will recall that my response to you dated 1 July 2024 advised that EWRAP is an umbrella for a large number of Ministry policies and programmes.

In response to your latest request, Ministry staff have worked with you to assist you to refine the scope of your request. We have now assessed your 25 July request for the following:

reports, memos and Aides-Memoires from the time period 2022-2023 relating to the Employment Work Readiness and Assistance Programme (EWRAP) for the work program 'Vocational Services for People with Disabilities' related to the policy intent on the Employment Service.

We have searched our records and advise that there appear to be no documents in scope of your refined request. Accordingly, your request for this information is refused under section 18(e) of the Act as this document does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

The Ministry's Disability Policy team has advised that *Vocational Services for People with Disabilities* is not offered under EWRAP.

You may wish to search the following websites, to assist you with any further requests you may wish to make on this topic:

- An overview of the Ministry's Employment Work Readiness and Assistance Programme: Contents:
www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/legislation/welfare-programmes/employment-and-work-readiness-assistance-programme/index.html

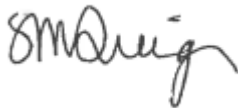
- Information about Work readiness assistance offered by the Ministry:
www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/employment-and-training/employment-and-work-readiness-assistance/work-readiness-assistance.html

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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