

26 February 2021

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Via Email: [REDACTED]

Response to a request for official information

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for official information received 19 February 2021 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)¹ where you seek the following information:

- 1. *Is your DHB currently a registered living wage employer?***

NMH response: No.

- 2. *Are your contractors /sub-contractors currently living wage employers?
a. Do you require them to be?***

NMH response: We do not track whether contractors/sub-contractors are living wage employers and currently do not have a position determined on this.

- 3. *Does your DHB currently have plans to become a living wage employer?***

NMH response: No.

- 4. *What do you see as the obstacles to becoming a living wage employer?***

NMH response: DHBs employ a vast range of employees, the majority of whom are covered by national or local collective employment agreements.

This response has been provided under the Official Information Act 1982. You have the right to seek an investigation by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or free phone 0800 802 602.

¹ Nelson Marlborough District Health Board

If you have any questions about this decision please feel free to email our OIA Coordinator OIArequest@nmdhb.govt.nz I trust that this information meets your requirements. NMH, like other agencies across the state sector, supports the open disclosure of information to assist the public's understanding of how we are delivering publicly-funded healthcare. This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released. If you feel that there are good reasons why your response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lexie O'Shea', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Lexie O'Shea
Chief Executive