



19 January 2021

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**Response to a request for official information**

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your request for official information, as a partial transfer of Part 1 (of 2) from the Ministry of Health and received 23 December 2020 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)<sup>1</sup> where you seek information about New Zealand Sign Language (NZSL) interpreting;

- 1. Which govt agencies that currently fund NZSL interpreting do not have contracts in place with suppliers and are instead operating in an ad-hoc manner?***

NMH response: NMH currently contracts Interpreting New Zealand to provide interpreters, including for NZSL interpreting services.

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or free phone 0800 802 602.

If you have any questions about this decision please feel free to email our OIA Coordinator [OIArequest@nmdhb.govt.nz](mailto: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 that reads 'Peter Bramley'.

Dr Peter Bramley  
**Chief Executive**

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