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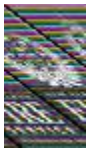
We have answered the attached questions attached. In support of this response I can also provide the following summary:

St John have strongly indicated their support for the registration of paramedics. In the first instance it will significantly reduce the opportunity for the "opportunistic players" from entering the same space. It also provides for;

- 1. Better controls around bad practice.*
- 2. Better information sharing about patients.*
- 3. This may encourage emergency medical technicians to be registered.*

This registration under the HPCA Act will not impact NZ Fire Service operations in support of an ambulance service. We operate under the Standing orders regulations which is not affected by this act.

Regards



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