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Appendix to Minister for Mental Health Weekly Report

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1 Upcoming briefings

Hon Matt Doocey upcoming briefings				
HR Number	Title	Summary	Due	Responsible DDG
H2024054432	s 9(2)(f)(iv)		28/11/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
H2024056858	Aide Memoire – Assurance Group meeting	To support meeting the Mental Health Assurance Group on 4 December	29/11/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
H2024054982	Updated proposals to prevent and minimise gambling harm 2025/26 to 2027/28	Follows public consultation on the Strategy to Prevent and Minimise Gambling Harm 2025/6 to 2027/8, and presents updated proposals and costings	29/11/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
H2024055973	Overdose Prevention and Preparedness Guidance and options for further policy development	Delivering a draft overdose prevention and harm reduction guide for approval to undertake targeted stakeholder consultation	5/12/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
H2024054707	Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission performance report quarter 1 2024/25	Summary report the quarter 1 performance of MHWC	5/12/2024	Simon Medcalf, Regulation and Monitoring – Te Pou Whakamaru, s 9(2)(a)
H2024054643	Mental Health & Wellbeing Strategy Initial Considerations	Outline initial considerations and options for development of a Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy within the next year	5/12/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
H2024053861	Digital Mental Health Summit	To support Minister Doocey at the Digital Mental Health Summit on 10 December 2024	5/12/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)

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H2024057088	s 9(2)(f)(iv)	s 9(2)(f)(iv)	11/12/2024	Dean Rutherford, Evidence, Research and Innovation – Te Pou Whakamārama, s 9(2)(a)
H2024055051	s 9(2)(f)(iv)	s 9(2)(f)(iv)	12/12/2024	Sarah Turner, Government and Executive Services – Te Pou Whakatere Kāwanatanga, s 9(2)(a)
H2024057101	Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Draft Strategic Action Plan	Presents the draft FASD Strategic Action Plan to support a coordinated cross-agency response to FASD for Ministerial consideration and feedback	19/12/2024	Dr Andrew Old, Public Health Agency – Te Pou Hauora Tūmatanui, s 9(2)(a)
H2024056844	2024/25 Letter of Agreement for Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission	Each year a Letter of Agreement is prepared for the Crown Entities. These were previously called Output Agreements and both the responsible Minister and the Crown Entity sign them.	19/12/2024	Simon Medcalf, Regulation and Monitoring – Te Pou Whakamaru, s 9(2)(a)

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2 Papers with the Minister for Mental Health

Health report number	Date required / submitted to MO	Title	Minister	Other Ministers to include	Responsible DDG
H2024054483	20/11/2024	Analysis to support understanding the impacts of changes to ADHD diagnosing and prescribing practices	Matt Doocey (Minister for Mental Health)	Matt Doocey (Associate Minister of Health)	Dean Rutherford, Evidence, Research and Innovation – Te Pou Whakamārama, s 9(2)(a)
H2024055599	27/11/2024	Update on the cross-agency response to the recommendations from the Auditor General on meeting young peoples' mental health needs	Matt Doocey (Minister for Mental Health)		Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)

3 Upcoming Cabinet papers

Hon Matt Doocey upcoming Cabinet papers			
Title	Where	Date	Responsible DDG
1. 111 Transition Plan Cabinet Report Back	SOU	04/12/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community & Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
	CAB	09/12/2024	

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4 Cabinet papers from other agencies that the Ministry has provided comment on

Title, agency, and summary of comments	Cabinet / Cabinet committee	Date of Cabinet / Cabinet committee	Responsible DDG	Minister
Nil				

5 Upcoming proactive release of Cabinet papers / Reports

Minister for Mental Health upcoming proactive release of Cabinet papers			
Title	Intended release date	Responsible DDG	Minister
Nil			

6 Official Information Act requests

Ministerial OIAs to be signed by the Minister for Mental Health, Hon Matt Doocey			
Date due to Requester	Requester	Request	Status
03/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	Copies of any weekly reports provided by Ministry of Health and Health New Zealand to the Minister during the week of 30 September 2024 and 7 October 2024	In progress
04/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	Please provide a copy of the document titled "Suggested talking points for Social Outcomes Committee on 8 May 2024 - transitioning to a multi-agency response for 111 mental distress calls", reference H2024040622, provided by the Ministry of Health to Minister Doocey on 6 May 2024	In progress

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04/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<p>In the Media Release dated 22 May 2024, announcing a \$24 million boost for Gumboot Friday, it is stated: "Research has found that every \$1 invested in I Am Hope results in a social return to New Zealand of \$5.70." Where is this research from, who completed it, what, exactly, does it say, and how was the figure of \$5.70 in social return determined?</p> <p>In the same media release, Minister Doocey states: "we are proud to be partnering with a long-standing and proven organisation that addresses the needs of our communities on the ground." What is the evidentiary basis of the assertion that I Am Hope is a "proven organisation"?</p> <p>How was this provided to the Minister? Who was this provided by? What did it say?</p> <p>What advice has the Minister (including his office, or officials who act for, or brief, the Minister) received about any employment issues at I Am Hope since April 1st, 2023?</p> <p>What advice has the Minister (including his office, or officials who act for, or brief, the Minister) received about any settlement payments made to current or former employees of I Am Hope since April 1st, 2023?</p> <p>What advice has the Minister (or his office, or officials who act for, or brief, the Minister) received about how much money has been paid out by I Am Hope in employment settlements since April 1st, 2023?</p> <p>What advice has the Minister (or his office, or officials who act for, or brief, the Minister) received about the use of money paid to I Am Hope as part of the Government's Budget 2024 provision, being used for the payment of employment settlements?</p> <p>Is Minister Doocey satisfied with the internal culture of I Am Hope as an employer? And, if so, what is the Minister's basis for this?</p> <p>All correspondence between Minister Doocey (and his office, or officials who act for, or brief, the Minister) and Troy Elliot concerning any aspect of I Am Hope, including, but no restricted to, its employment culture?</p> <p>All correspondence between Minister Doocey (and his office, or officials who act for, or brief, the Minister) and Naomi Ballantyne concerning any aspect of I Am Hope, including, but no restricted to, its employment culture?</p> <p>All correspondence between Minister Doocey (and his office, or officials who act for, or brief, the Minister) and Naomi Ballantyne concerning any aspect of Ms Ballantyne's resignation as I Am Hope chair?</p> <p>All material that informed the Government's decision to provide a "a \$24 million boost for Gumboot Friday".</p> <p>What checks and balances are in place to oversee I Am Hope's expenditure of Government money and its social return?</p>	In progress
04/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<p>Provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The minister's plan to adequately resource mental health and ambulance services, including the breakdown of additional budget allocation for personal protective equipment, training and education, additional funding for increased workload, and funding assigned to legal protection and aid for ambulance workers. 	In progress

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Briefings the minister has received concerning ambulance and mental health services preparedness. - Confirm whether you as Minister for Mental Health, are in agreement with the Minister of Police with this withdrawal going ahead without publicly available plans for how mental health and ambulance services will manage the unilateral withdrawal from police. - Confirm whether your public statements have been based on advice or reflect your own views on the matter. - Confirm whether ambulance services have agreed to a protocol for transfer of the service from police to ambulance services, and provide that protocol. - Release minutes and briefings related to advice the minister has received concerning preparedness, including any policy impact statements. - Release any minutes or briefings from either Te Whatu Ora or the Ministry of Health, which raise concerns about the safety of patients or workers, including any PCBU risks. - Provide any advice ACC has given concerning PCBU risks in the context of the police withdrawal. - Release any risk assessments undertaken by the Ministry of Health, Te Whatu Ora, ACC or Ambulance Organisations concerning the likelihood of excess mortality arising from both the withdrawal itself and also how the police have decided to withdraw. - Release any consultation documents developed with ambulance services and workers, including Hato Hone St John, Life Flight and Wellington Free Ambulance. - Explain the absence of any such documents, and why there wouldn't have been such a document produced before implementation if one doesn't exist. 	
05/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What if any communications has Minister Doocey had with Mike King regarding Gumboot Friday since he became a Minister in November of last year? - If yes can these communications please be provided, be that briefing notes, meeting notes, emails, call logs and or text messages? 2. What if any communications has Minister Doocey had with Diana Sarfati regarding Gumboot Friday since he became a Minister in November of last year? - If yes can these communications please be provided, be that briefing notes, meeting notes, emails, call logs and or text messages? 3. What if any communications has Minister Doocey had with Ministry of Health officials regarding Gumboot Friday since he became a Minister in November of last year? - If yes can these communications please be provided, be that briefing notes, meeting notes, emails, call logs and or text messages? 4. What if any communications has Minister Doocey had with Margie Apa regarding Gumboot Friday since he became a Minister in November of last year? - If yes can these communications please be provided, be that briefing notes, meeting notes, emails, call logs and or text messages? 	In progress
05/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	What checks did you do before providing 24 m to gumboot Friday? Please provide a summary outline	In progress

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	s 9(2)(a)	<p>If you had done checks on the charity, were you aware that Mike King is a wife beater who is known well in the north for being a fraud and abuser?</p> <p>Please provide any communications related to risks MoH provided to you on Mike King and Gumboot Friday</p> <p>Please outline why you gave that money to a wifebeater and not qualified mental health professionals?</p>	
6/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<p>I wish to request the evidence that prompted you to make statements in support of the I Am Hope/Gumboot Friday organisation. In an article published by The New Zealand Herald on the 1st of November (entitled "PM Christopher Luxon responds to Mike King mental health alcohol claims"), you are quoted as saying, "This is an organisation that has delivered results".</p> <p>I would like to be provided with the government's evaluative studies that have informed your statement that I Am Hope/Gumboot Friday has "delivered results"</p>	In progress
9/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<p>Have the provisions of section 114 of the Mental Health (Compulsory Assessment and Treatment) Act ever been applied since the Act was adopted in 1992?</p> <p>Please provide a summary of any cases in which the section 114 provisions have been applied.</p> <p>What specific advice has informed the inclusion of a similar provision (section 190) in the Mental Health Bill currently before the Health Select Committee?</p> <p>You will appreciate that this information is needed to inform a submission on the Mental Health Bill to the Select Committee.</p>	In progress
13/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<p>Copies of any weekly reports provided by Ministry of Health and Health New Zealand to the Minister during the week of 14 and 21 October 2024</p>	In progress
17/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<p>With regards to the I Am Hope Foundation run by Mike King:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please provide all advice and briefings the Minister received in the last four months regarding the foundation? - Please outline any concerns that have been raised with the Minister? - Please provide any information the Minister has regarding reporting on outcomes and deliverables from the foundation? - Please provide copies of letters of resignation sent to the Minister from any staff members of the foundation? - Please provide any updates or briefings regarding the financial situation of the foundation? 	In progress
19/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<p>Can I please request under the OIA any briefings or other documents received by the minister concerning I Am Hope/Gumboot Friday and the funding the Government gave I Am Hope/Gumboot Friday in the time period following the press conference Matt Doocey, Winston Peters and Mike King gave earlier this year.</p> <p>I would like this request to please include any communication between the minister's office/the minister and I</p>	In progress

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		Am Hope/Gumboot Friday.	
23/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	Please provide a copy of the document with title withheld under s 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982, reference number H2024035355, provided by the Ministry of Health to Minister Doocey on 28 March 2024.	In progress

7 Petitions

Upcoming responses to petitions – Hon Matt Doocey		
Title, topic, summary of MOH input (written or oral) of submission to the Petitions Committee or Health Select Committee, and next steps	Date expected	Contact
Nil		

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