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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
H2024057217	Meeting with Chris Boyd-Skinner Director of Clinical Governance - Australian Digital Health Agency	Supports meeting with Chris Boyd-Skinner Director of Clinical Governance - Australian Digital Health Agency	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)
H2024057632	Meeting with Ken Whelan, Deputy Commissioner, Health NZ	Supports regular meeting with Ken Whelan, Deputy Commissioner Health NZ, on 10 December 2024	9/12/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
H2024054691	Quarter 1 2024/25 System Monitoring and Health New Zealand – Te Whatu Ora Report	Provides advice on monitoring information regarding HNZ's quarter one 2024-25 performance, updates since quarter four, and advice to support discussions with the HNZ Commissioner	9/12/2024	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	10/12/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, 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.	10/12/2024	Simon Medcalf, Regulation and Monitoring – Te Pou Whakamaru, s 9(2)(a)
H2024057088	Summary of potential implications from a change to Census collection in relation to the Mental Health portfolio	Potential implications of the proposed change for the collection of Census data and any associated impact on the Mental Health portfolio related to this	11/12/2024	Dean Rutherford, Evidence, Research and Innovation – Te Pou Whakamārama, s 9(2)(a)

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H2024055051	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)
H2024057325	Ministry overview of a Lived Experience Peak Body Concept, and potential options for consideration in relation to the value and viability of establishing a lived experience peak body	Review of the Changing Minds "Development of a Live Experience Peak Body" proposal, including an environmental scan to identify others working in this space to avoid duplication.	14/02/2025	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)

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	s 9(2)(f)(iv)		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)
H2024054432			Matt Doocey (Minister for Mental Health)		Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
H2024054982	29/11/2024	Strategy to Prevent and Minimise Gambling Harm 2025/26–2027/28: Proposals Document	Matt Doocey (Minister for Mental Health)		Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)

H2024055973	2/12/2024	Draft Overdose Prevention and Preparedness Guidance and options for further policy development	Matt Doocey (Minister for Mental Health)	Minister Reti	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community and Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)
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3 Upcoming Cabinet papers

Hon Matt Doocey upcoming Cabinet papers				
Title	Where	Date	Responsible DDG	
1. 111 Transition Plan Cabinet Report Back	SOU	11/12/2024	Geoff Short, Clinical, Community & Mental Health – Te Pou Whakakaha, s 9(2)(a)	
	CAB	16/12/2024		

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
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>	In progress

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		What checks and balances are in place to oversee I Am Hope's expenditure of Government money and its social return?	
05/12/2024	s 9(2)(a)	<p>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?</p> <p>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?</p> <p>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?</p> <p>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?</p>	In progress
6/12/2024		<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
13/12/2024		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	In progress
17/12/2024		All briefings received by the minister's office as a result of his mental health, youth and associate health portfolios for the month of September 2024	In progress
19/12/2024		<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 Am Hope/Gumboot Friday.</p>	In progress
20/12/2024		With regards to the I Am Hope Foundation run by Mike King:	In progress

	s 9(2)(a)	<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? 	
23/12/2024		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
24/12/2024		Please provide a copy of the document Meeting of the Ministerial Group on the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy 1 February 2024, reference number H2024035249, provided by the Ministry of Health to Minister Doocey on 31 January 2024.	In progress
24/12/2024		Please provide a copy of the document Information and timelines for progressing mental health and addiction targets, reference number H2024037359, provided by the Ministry of Health to Minister Doocey on 15 March 2024.	In progress 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		