



Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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Improving Mental Health Services for Children in Canterbury and Kaikōura

Portfolio Health

On 21 February 2018, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee, having been authorised by Cabinet to have Power to Act [CAB-18-MIN-0048]:

- 1 **noted** that Budget 2017 made provision for a \$25 million annual and ongoing contingency for a Mental Health Social Investment Fund [CAB-17-MIN-0185.34];
- 2 **noted** that in August 2017, the previous government agreed in principle to fund 17 initiatives from the Mental Health Social Investment Fund [SOC-17-MIN-0120];
- 3 **agreed** that the more promising ideas selected from the 17 initiatives indicated for funding by the previous government will be considered as part of Budget 2018;
- 4 **agreed** that the \$25 million annual and ongoing contingency will continue to be available for ongoing mental health;
- 5 **agreed** to fund the extension of mental health services in earthquake affected schools;
- 6 **approved** the following changes to appropriations to give effect to the decision in paragraph 5 above, with a corresponding impact on the operating balance:

Vote Health Minister of Health	\$m increase/(decrease)				
	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22 & Outyears
<u>Non-Departmental Output Expense:</u> National Mental Health Services	0.7	7.3	10.0	10.0	-

- 7 **agreed** that the change to appropriation for 2017/18 above be included in the 2017/18 Supplementary Estimates and that, in the interim, the increase be met from Imprest Supply;
- 8 **agreed** that the expenses incurred under paragraph 6 above be a charge against the tagged contingency, Mental Health Social Investment Fund, established as part of Budget 2017;

- 9 **agreed** that the remainder of the Mental Health Social Investment Fund contingency will be accessed as part of the overall Vote Health Budget package on an annual and ongoing basis;
- 10 **noted** that the proposed Vote Health Budget 2018 package includes mental health initiatives to:
- 10.1 increase frontline health workers, by using multidisciplinary mental health teams, to make it easier for those in our community with mental health problems to get the help they need;
 - 10.2 provide more nurses in schools, s 9(2)(f)(iv) [REDACTED]
 - 10.3 increase access to counselling and integrated therapies for those under 25 years.

Jenny Vickers
Committee Secretary

Present:

Rt Hon Winston Peters
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Chris Hipkins
Hon Andrew Little
Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)
Hon Dr David Clark
Hon Nanaia Mahuta
Hon Damien O'Connor
Hon Tracey Martin
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Aupito William Sio
Hon Julie Anne Genter
Michael Wood, MP
Jan Logie, MP

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