

Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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Establishment of the Cancer Control Agency

Portfolio Health

On 13 November 2019, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee (SWC):

- 1 **noted** that on 28 August 2019, SWC:
 - 1.1 agreed that the Cancer Control Agency (the Agency) will be established as a departmental agency within the Ministry of Health by 1 December 2019;
 - 1.2 noted that the estimated cost of establishing the Agency is \$2.017 million in 2019/20, which will be funded from Vote Health baselines;
 - 1.3 s 9(2)(f)(iv)

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- 2 noted that Cabinet decisions are required to allow the Agency to function as a legal entity and to allow the State Services Commission to commence recruitment for the Agency's chief executive;
- invited the Minister of State Services to issue drafting instructions to the Parliamentary Counsel Office to draft an Order in Council to name the Agency as a departmental agency within the Ministry of Health, on Schedule 1A of the State Sector Act 1988, with effect from 1 December 2019;
- 4 noted that, subject to Cabinet confirmation and the Executive Council approval of the Order in Council required to amend Schedule 1A of the State Sector Act 1988, the Agency will be legally established from 1 December 2019;
- 5 **noted** that, in order to have legal effect by 1 December 2019, a waiver to the gazetting notice period (the 28-day rule) will be required;
- **noted** that by 1 December 2019, the State Services Commissioner will appoint an interim acting Agency chief executive;
- agreed that the chief executive of the Cancer Control Agency will be responsible to the Minister of Health;
- 8 **noted** that the chief executive of the Cancer Control Agency and the Director-General of Health will agree a Departmental Agency Agreement in writing;

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- 9 **noted** that final costs for the provision of corporate services will be confirmed in the Departmental Agency Agreement;
- noted that the Minister of Health intends to announce the launch of the Agency at a post-Cabinet press conference, following the Cabinet meeting on 2 December 2019.

BUDGET: SENSITIVE

Vivien Meek Committee Secretary

Present:

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern

Hon Kelvin Davis

Hon Grant Robertson

Hon Dr Megan Woods

Hon Chris Hipkins

Hon Andrew Little

Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)

Hon Dr David Clark

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

Hon Stuart Nash

Hon Kris Faafoi

Hon Tracey Martin

Hon Willie Jackson

Hon Aupito William Sio

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Officials present from:

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