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Zack

By email only: foi+request-13509-91963a8f@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Zack

Your Freedom of Information request¹

Thank you for contacting Ahpra with a *Freedom of Information* (FOI) request dated 18 August 2025.

We are now writing to confirm the information you are seeking access to and to explain more about our processes.

Scope of your request

From your email of 18 August 2025, we understand you are requesting information in the following terms:

For the period from 1 November 2016 to the present, I request the following information regarding medical practitioners and the prescribing of Schedule 8 medicinal cannabis:

The total number of notifications (complaints) received.

The total number of investigations commenced.

The total number of matters that resulted in regulatory action.

A de-identified list of all regulatory actions taken, specifying for each matter:

a. The conduct (e.g., inadequate patient assessment, inappropriate prescribing).

b. The penalty or outcome (e.g., caution, conditions imposed, suspension).

The FOI Act is about requests for access to documents. While your request does not make a request for a specific, identifiable document, we understand that you are seeking documents that contain the requested information, if such a document exists. If we have misunderstood your request, please contact me so that we can better understand the information that you are seeking.

Charges

In some cases, charges may apply for the search and retrieval of documents, however this is not common.² We will contact you in advance if there will be a cost.

¹ This letter is an acknowledgement for the purposes of section 15(5)(a) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cth)

² Charges are set under the *Freedom of Information (Fees and Charges) Regulations 1982* (FOI Regulations) and are for search and retrieval of documents, decision making and provision of access (for example, copying and postage).

Consultation with third parties

Where documents contain information about third parties, the FOI Act requires us to consult them in certain circumstances before making a decision. Consultation may be necessary where information:

- was sent to or was received from an Australian or foreign government or agency
- concerns a person's or an organisation's business or commercial affairs, or
- is personal information about a person (including a deceased person).

If third party consultation is required, we will contact you.

Timeframes

The time limit for processing your request expires on **Wednesday, 17 September 2025**.

Contact

If you have any questions, please contact foi@ahpra.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Ahpra FOI team

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