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**Health New Zealand**  
Te Whatu Ora

Tēnā koe

## Your request for official information, reference: HNZ00060314

Thank you for your email on 13 August 2024, asking Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora for the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*“Wondering if it's possible to be advised of the salaries for the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioners of Health New Zealand?”*

### Response

Professor Lester Levy's fee is \$320,000 per annum. The fee reflects the unique and significant demands of this governance role. The fee was agreed by Cabinet.

As permitted under the Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) Act 2022, the Commissioner has appointed three Deputy Commissioners:

- Roger Jarrold - \$250,000 per annum
- Ken Whalen - \$200,000 per annum
- Kylie Clegg - \$200,000 per annum

Those fees were set in consultation with the Ministry of Health. All actual and reasonable travel and other expenses incurred by the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioners while carrying out their duties will also be reimbursed by Health NZ.

### How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at [hnzOIA@tewhaturora.govt.nz](mailto:hnzOIA@tewhaturora.govt.nz).

If you are not happy with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Health NZ may proactively release a copy of this response on our website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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