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OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request of 19 August 2022 for:

- 1. A copy of your policy on employee drug use and drug testing.*
- 2. How many random drug tests has your Department performed on employees or contractors since August 19 2021?*
- 3. How many non-random drug tests has your Department performed on employees or contractors since August 19 2021?*
- 4. Since August 19 2021, how many employees or contractors associated with your Department failed a drug test?*
- 5. How many employees or contractors have been fired or did not have their contract renewed following a drug test?*

In response to your questions above:

Question	Ministry response
1. A copy of your policy on employee drug use and drug testing.	The Ministry does not have a drug use or drug testing policy.
2. How many random drug tests has your Department performed on employees or contractors since August 19 2021?	The Ministry does not perform random drug testing on any employees or contractors.
3. How many non-random drug tests has your Department performed on employees or contractors since August 19 2021?	The Ministry does not perform non-random drug testing on any employees or contractors.

4. Since August 19 2021, how many employees or contractors associated with your Department failed a drug test?	This is not applicable as the Ministry does not perform any drug tests on employees or contractors.
5. How many employees or contractors have been fired or did not have their contract renewed following a drug test?	This is not applicable as the Ministry does not perform any drug tests on employees or contractors.

Please note that this response, with your personal details redacted, may be published on the Ministry's website. If you have any concerns or comments related to this, please let us know by emailing ministerialservicing@women.govt.nz, within two weeks of the date of this letter.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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